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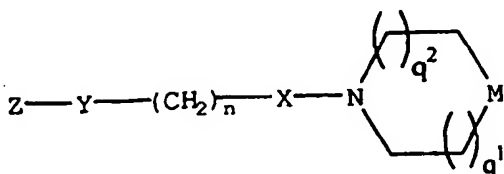
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(57) Abstract: Disclosed are novel compounds
and a method of treating a disease associated
with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or
activation. The method comprises adminis-
tering to a subject in need an effective amount
of a compound represented by structural
formula (XXIV) or Z-Y-(CH₂)_n-X-NR⁵⁰R⁵
and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

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CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS AND METHODS OF USE THEREFOR

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/362,807, filed July 28, 1999, which is
5 continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/234,868, filed January 21, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/148,515, filed September 4, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/009,977, filed
10 January 21, 1998, now abandoned; the entire teachings of each of the above-referenced applications are incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Chemoattractant cytokines or chemokines are a family of proinflammatory mediators that promote recruitment and
15 activation of multiple lineages of leukocytes and lymphocytes. They can be released by many kinds of tissue cells after activation. Continuous release of chemokines at sites of inflammation mediates the ongoing migration of effector cells in chronic inflammation. The chemokines
20 characterized to date are related in primary structure. They share four conserved cysteines, which form disulfide bonds. Based upon this conserved cysteine motif, the family is divided into two main branches, designated as the C-X-C chemokines (α -chemokines), and the C-C chemokines
25 (β -chemokines), in which the first two conserved cysteines are separated by an intervening residue, or adjacent

respectively (Baggiolini, M. and Dahinden, C. A., *Immunology Today*, 15:127-133 (1994)).

The C-X-C chemokines include a number of potent chemoattractants and activators of neutrophils, such as interleukin 8 (IL-8), PF4 and neutrophil-activating peptide-2 (NAP-2). The C-C chemokines include RANTES (Regulated on 5 Activation, Normal T Expressed and Secreted), the macrophage inflammatory proteins 1 α and 1 β (MIP-1 α and MIP-1 β), eotaxin, and human monocyte chemotactic proteins 1-3 (MCP-1, MCP-2, MCP-3), which have been characterized as 10 chemoattractants and activators of monocytes or lymphocytes but do not appear to be chemoattractants for neutrophils. Chemokines, such as RANTES and MIP-1 α , have been implicated in a wide range of human acute and chronic inflammatory diseases including respiratory diseases, such as asthma and 15 allergic disorders.

The chemokine receptors are members of a superfamily of G protein-coupled receptors (GPCR) which share structural features that reflect a common mechanism of action of signal transduction (Gerard, C. and Gerard, N.P., *Annu Rev.* 20 *Immunol.*, 12:775-808 (1994); Gerard, C. and Gerard, N. P., *Curr. Opin. Immunol.*, 6:140-145 (1994)). Conserved features include seven hydrophobic domains spanning the plasma membrane, which are connected by hydrophilic extracellular and intracellular loops. The majority of the primary sequence 25 homology occurs in the hydrophobic transmembrane regions with the hydrophilic regions being more diverse. The first receptor for the C-C chemokines that was cloned and expressed binds the chemokines MIP-1 α and RANTES. Accordingly, this MIP-1 α /RANTES receptor was designated C-C chemokine receptor 30 1 (also referred to as CCR-1; Neote, K., et al., *Cell*, 72:415-425 (1993); Horuk, R. et al., WO 94/11504, May 26, 1994; Gao, J.-I. et al., *J. Exp. Med.*, 177:1421-1427 (1993)). Three receptors have been characterized which bind and/or signal in response to RANTES: CCR3 mediates binding and

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signaling of chemokines including eotaxin, RANTES, and MCP-3 (Ponath et al., *J. Exp. Med.*, 183:2437 (1996)), CCR4 binds chemokines including RANTES, MIP-1 α , and MCP-1 (Power, et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 270:19495 (1995)), and CCR5 binds chemokines including MIP-1 α , RANTES, and MIP-1 β (Samson, et al., *Biochem.* 35: 3362-3367 (1996)). RANTES is a chemotactic chemokine for a variety of cell types, including monocytes, eosinophils, and a subset of T-cells. The responses of these different cells may not all be mediated by the same receptor, and it is possible that the receptors CCR1, CCR4 and CCR5 will show some selectivity in receptor distribution and function between leukocyte types, as has already been shown for CCR3 (Ponath et al.). In particular, the ability of RANTES to induce the directed migration of monocytes and a memory population of circulating T-cells (Schall, T. et al., *Nature*, 347:669-71 (1990)) suggests this chemokine and its receptor(s) may play a critical role in chronic inflammatory diseases, since these diseases are characterized by destructive infiltrates of T cells and monocytes.

Many existing drugs have been developed as antagonists of the receptors for biogenic amines, for example, as antagonists of the dopamine and histamine receptors. No successful antagonists have yet been developed to the receptors for the larger proteins such as chemokines and C5a. Small molecule antagonists of the interaction between C-C chemokine receptors and their ligands, including RANTES and MIP-1 α , would provide compounds useful for inhibiting harmful inflammatory processes "triggered" by receptor ligand interaction, as well as valuable tools for the investigation of receptor-ligand interactions.

30 SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

It has now been found that a class of small organic molecules are antagonists of chemokine receptor function and can inhibit leukocyte activation and/or recruitment. An

antagonist of chemokine receptor function is a molecule which can inhibit the binding and/or activation of one or more chemokines, including C-C chemokines such as RANTES, MIP-1 α , MCP-2, MCP-3 and/or MCP-4 to one or more chemokine receptors on leukocytes and/or other cell types. As a consequence, processes and cellular responses mediated by chemokine receptors can be inhibited with these small organic molecules. Based on this discovery, a method of treating a subject with a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation is disclosed as well as a method of treating a disease mediated by chemokine receptor function. The method comprises administering to a subject in need of treatment an effective amount of a compound or small organic molecule which is an antagonist of chemokine receptor function. Compounds or small organic molecules which have been identified as antagonists of chemokine receptor function are discussed in detail herein below, and can be used for the manufacture of a medicament for treating or for preventing a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation. The invention also relates to the disclosed compounds and small organic molecules for use in treating or preventing a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation. The invention also includes pharmaceutical compositions comprising one or more of the compounds or small organic molecules which have been identified herein as antagonists of chemokine function and a suitable pharmaceutical carrier. The invention further relates to novel compounds which can be used to treat an individual with a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation and methods for their preparation.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 is a schematic showing the preparation of the compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II).

Figure 2 is a schematic showing the preparation of representative compounds Structural Formula (I) and (II),

wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (IV) and wherein Ring A and/or Ring B in Z can be substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-OC(O)R^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-NHC(O)-O-R^{20}$.

Figure 3 is a schematic showing the preparation of the compounds represented by Structural Formula (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VIII) and (XIII)-(XVIc) and wherein V is W_a .

Figure 4 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), wherein W is H.

Figure 5 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), wherein W is H.

Figures 6A-6AD show the structures of a number of exemplary compounds of the present invention.

Figure 7 shows the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formula (I), where in Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VI) and wherein Ring A and/or Ring B in Z is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, u is one.

Figure 8A shows the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formula (I), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VI) and wherein Ring A or Ring B in Z is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, u is zero.

Figure 8B is a schematic showing the preparation of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-fluoropiperidine.

Figure 8C is a schematic showing the preparation of 4-4-azido-4-(4-chlorophenyl)piperidine.

Figure 8D is a schematic showing the preparation of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methylpiperidine.

Figure 9A is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I), (VIII) and (VIII) wherein R^1 is an amine.

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Figure 9B is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I), (VIII) and (VIII) wherein R^1 is an alkylamine.

Figure 9C is a schematic showing the preparation of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(N-methyl)ethylamine.

5 Figure 9D is a schematic showing the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-chloro-1-hydroxypropane.

Figure 9E is a schematic showing the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-N-methylaminopropane.

10 Figure 10A is a schematic showing the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxyl-3-methyl-1-N-methylaminopropane.

Figure 10B is a schematic showing the preparation of 1-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,3-propylenediamine.

Figure 10C is a schematic showing three procedures for the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I), (XXIV), (XXV), (XXVI) and (XXVII) wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (XVII) and wherein Ring A or Ring B in Z is substituted with R^{40} . In Figure 10C, R^{40} is represented by $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$, u is one, t is zero.

20 Figure 10D is a schematic showing the preparation of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-pyridine.

Figures 11A-11K show the structures of exemplary compounds of the present invention.

Figure 12 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds of formula (XV-b).

25 Figure 13 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds of formula (XV-c).

Figure 14 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds of formula (XV-e).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

30 The present invention relates to small molecule compounds which are modulators of chemokine receptor function. In a preferred embodiment, the small molecule compounds are antagonists of chemokine receptor function. Accordingly,

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processes or cellular responses mediated by the binding of a chemokine to a receptor can be inhibited (reduced or prevented, in whole or in part), including leukocyte migration, integrin activation, transient increases in the concentration of intracellular free calcium $[Ca^{++}]_i$, and/or

5 granule release of proinflammatory mediators.

The invention further relates to a method of treatment, including prophylactic and therapeutic treatments, of a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation or mediated by chemokines or chemokine receptor

10 function, including chronic inflammatory disorders characterized by the presence of RANTES, MIP-1 α , MCP-2, MCP-3 and/or MCP-4 responsive T cells, monocytes and/or eosinophils, including but not limited to diseases such as arthritis (e.g., rheumatoid arthritis), atherosclerosis,

15 arteriosclerosis, restenosis, ischemia/reperfusion injury, diabetes mellitus (e.g., type 1 diabetes mellitus), psoriasis, multiple sclerosis, inflammatory bowel diseases such as ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease, rejection of transplanted organs and tissues (i.e., acute allograft

20 rejection, chronic allograft rejection), graft versus host disease, as well as allergies and asthma. Other diseases associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation which can be treated (including prophylactic treatments) with the methods disclosed herein are

25 inflammatory diseases associated with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection, e.g., AIDS associated encephalitis, AIDS related maculopapular skin eruption, AIDS related interstitial pneumonia, AIDS related enteropathy, AIDS related periportal hepatic inflammation and AIDS related

30 glomerulo nephritis. The method comprises administering to the subject in need of treatment an effective amount of a compound (i.e., one or more compounds) which inhibits chemokine receptor function, inhibits the binding of a chemokine to leukocytes and/or other cell types, and/or which

35 inhibits leukocyte migration to, and/or activation at, sites of inflammation.

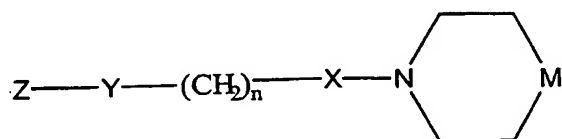
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The invention further relates to methods of antagonizing a chemokine receptor, such as CCR1, in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a compound as described herein.

According to the method, chemokine-mediated chemotaxis and/or activation of pro-inflammatory cells bearing receptors for chemokines can be inhibited. As used herein, "pro-inflammatory cells" includes but is not limited to leukocytes, since chemokine receptors can be expressed on other cell types, such as neurons and epithelial cells.

While not wishing to be bound by any particular theory or mechanism, it is believed that compounds of the invention are antagonists of the chemokine receptor CCR1, and that therapeutic benefits derived from the method of the invention are the result of antagonism of CCR1 function. Thus, the method and compounds of the invention can be used to treat a medical condition involving cells which express CCR1 on their surface and which respond to signals transduced through CCR1, as well as the specific conditions recited above.

In one embodiment of the present invention, the antagonist of chemokine receptor function is represented by Structural Formula (I):



(I)

Z is a cycloalkyl or non-aromatic heterocyclic ring fused to one or more carbocyclic aromatic rings and/or heteroaromatic rings.

Y is a covalent bond, -O-, -CO- or =CH-.

n is an integer, such as an integer from one to about five. n is preferably one, two, or three. In alternative

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embodiments, other aliphatic or aromatic spacer groups (L) can be employed for $(CH_2)_n$.

X is a covalent bond or -CO-.

M is $>NR^2$ or $>CR^1R^2$. Preferably, M is $>C(OH)R^2$.

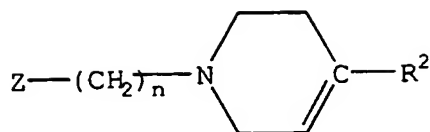
R¹ is -H, -OH, -N₃, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, -O-(aliphatic group), -O-(substituted aliphatic group), -SH, -S-(aliphatic group), -S-(substituted aliphatic group), -OC(O)-(aliphatic group), -O-C(O)-(substituted aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(substituted aliphatic group), -COOH, -CN, -CO-NR³R⁴, -NR³R⁴; or R¹ can be a covalent bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M. R¹ is preferably -H or -OH.

R² is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, NR⁵R⁶, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group). R² is preferably an aromatic group or a substituted aromatic group.

R³, R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group. R¹ and R², R³ and R⁴, or R⁵ and R⁶ taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, can alternatively form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.

In embodiments where M is $>CR^1R^2$ and R¹ is a covalent bond between the carbon atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M, the antagonist of chemokine function can be represented by Structural Formula (Ia).

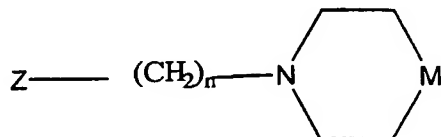
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(Ia)

Z, n, and R² are as described in Structural Formula (I).

5 In a preferred embodiment, -X- and -Y- in Structural Formula (I) are each a covalent bond and the antagonist of chemokine receptor function is a compound represented by Structural Formula (II):

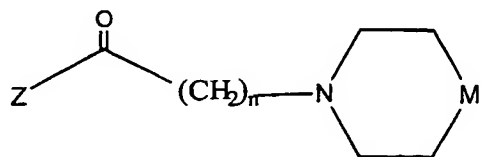


(II)

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Z, n and M are as described above for Structural Formula (I).

In another preferred embodiment, -X- is a covalent bond, -Y- is -CO- and the antagonist of chemokine receptor function
15 is a compound represented by Structural Formula (III):

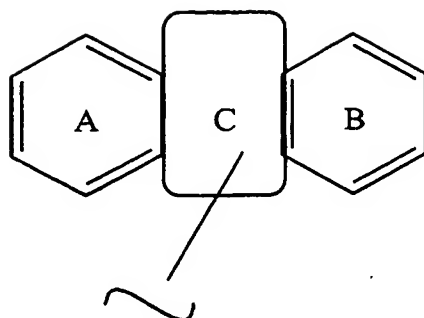


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Preferably, Z is a tricyclic ring system comprising two carbocyclic aromatic groups fused to a five, six, seven or eight membered cycloalkyl group or to a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring. In one example, Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV):

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(IV)

The phenyl rings in Structural Formula (IV), labeled with an "A" and "B", are referred to herein as "Ring A" and "Ring B", respectively. The central ring, labeled with a "C", is referred to as "Ring C" and can be, for example, a five, six, seven or eight membered non-aromatic carbocyclic ring (e.g., a cycloheptane or cyclooctane ring) or a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring. When Ring C is a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring, it can contain one or two heteroatoms such as nitrogen, sulfur or oxygen. When Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), the tricyclic ring system can be connected to Y in Structural Formula (I) by a single covalent bond between Y and a ring atom in Ring C.

Ring A and/or Ring B can be unsubstituted.

Alternatively, Ring A and/or Ring B can have one or more substituents. Suitable substituents are as described herein below for aromatic groups. In one example, Ring A or Ring B is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)OR^{20}$,

$-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-OC(O)R^{20}$ -, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or

$-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-NHC(O)-O-R^{20}$.

u is zero or one.

t is an integer, such as an integer from zero to about three, and the methylene group, $-(CH_2)_t-$, can be substituted, as described herein for aliphatic groups, or unsubstituted.

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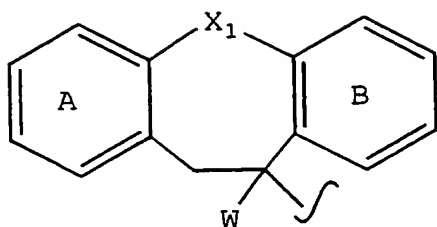
R^{20} , R^{21} or R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group. Alternatively, R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

Ring C optionally contains one or more substituents as described herein below. Preferably, Ring C is unsubstituted or substituted with an electron withdrawing group. Suitable electron withdrawing groups include -CN, -CH₂=NH, alkylimines, alkylsulfonyl, carboxamido, carboxylic alkyl esters, -NO₂ and halogens (e.g., -Br and -Cl). Alternatively, Ring C is substituted with a group selected from -CH₂-NR¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹, -CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹.

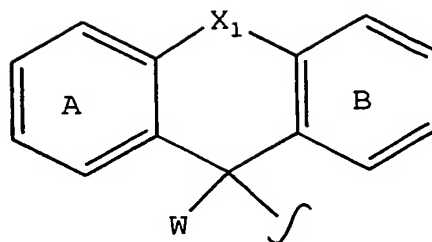
R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group. Alternatively, R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

Examples of suitable tricyclic rings systems represented by Structural Formula (IV) are provided by Structural Formula (V) - (VIII), shown below:

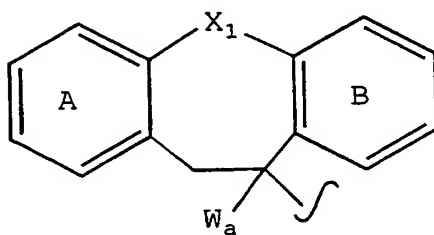
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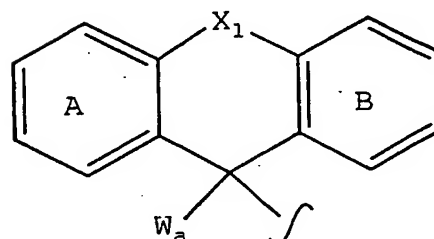
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(VI)



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(VIII)

X_1 is a covalent bond, $-S-$, $-CH_2-$ or $-CH_2-S-$. Preferably, X_1 is $-S-$ in Structural Formulas (V) and (VII). Preferably, X_1 is $-CH_2-S-$ in Structural Formulas (VI) and (VIII).

W is $-H$ or an electron withdrawing group, as described above for Structural Formula (IV). A preferred electron withdrawing group is $-CN$.

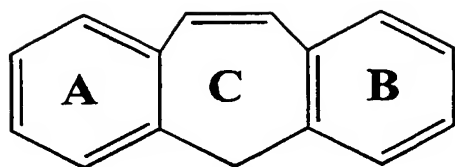
W_a is a group selected from $-CH_2-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-OR^{11}$, $-CH_2-NH-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-O-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $-CH_2-NHC(O)-O-R^{11}$.

R^{11} and R^{12} are as defined in Structural Formula (IV).

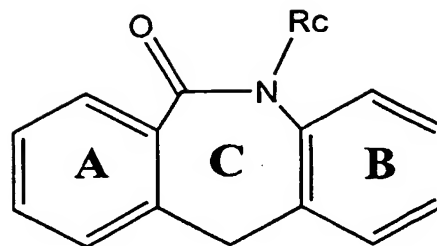
Ring A and Ring B in Structural Formulas (V)-(VIII) can be as described above in Structural Formula (IV).

Other examples of suitable tricyclic ring systems represented by Structural Formula (IV) are shown below in Structural Formulas (XI), (XII), (XIIfa), (XIIfb) and (XIIfc):

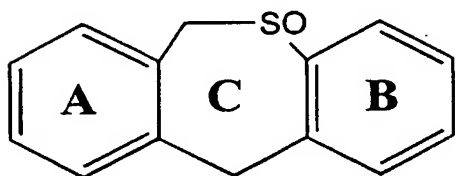
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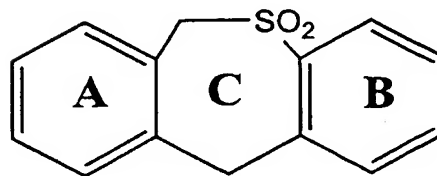
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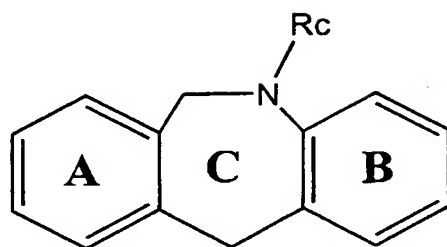
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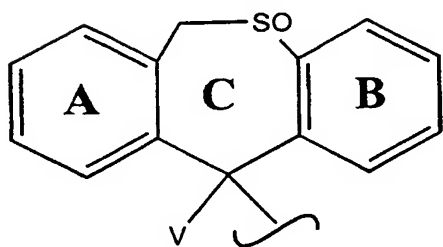
R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group.

Preferably, R_c is a substituted C_1 - C_{20} aliphatic group, a C_1 - C_{20} aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group. In one example, R_c is $-(CH_2)_s-COOR^{30}$, $-(CH_2)_s-OC(O)R^{30}$, $-(CH_2)_s-C(O)-NR^{31}R^{32}$ or $-(CH_2)_s-NHC(O)-O-R^{30}$.

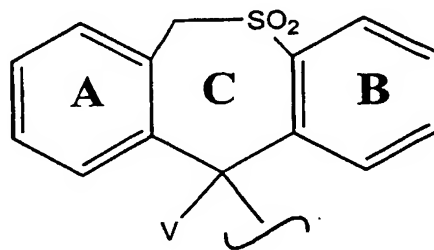
5 s is an integer from one to about three.

R^{30} , R^{31} , and R^{32} are independently $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group. Alternatively, R^{31} and R^{32} ,
 10 taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

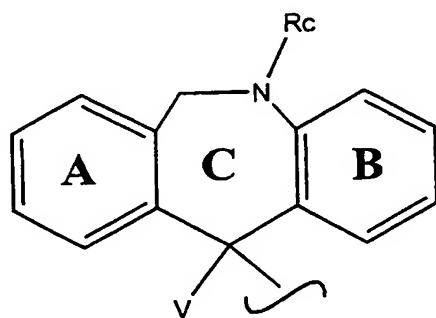
Preferred examples of tricyclic ring systems represented by Structural Formulas (XI)-(XII), (XIIa), (XIIb) and (XIIc) are shown below in Structural Formulas (XIII)-(XVI), (XVIa),
 15 (XVIb) and (XVIc):



(XVIa)

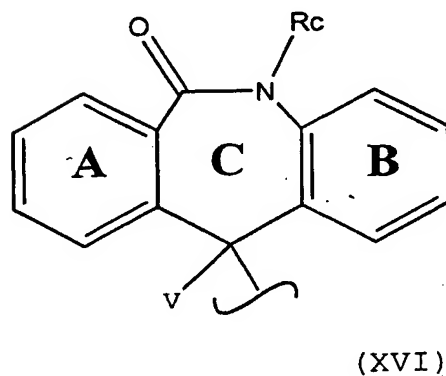
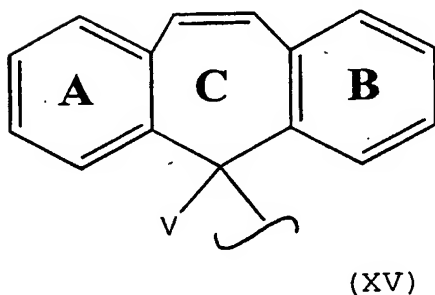
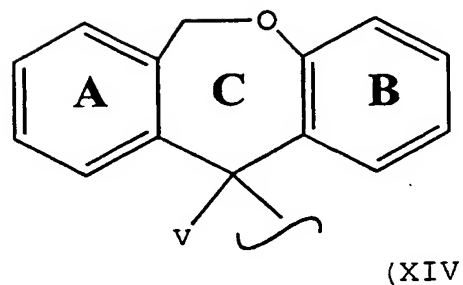
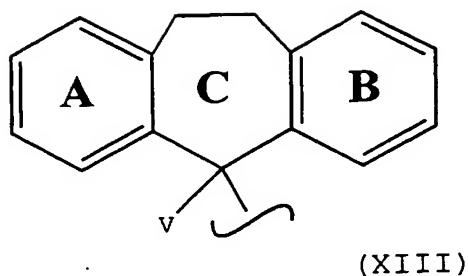


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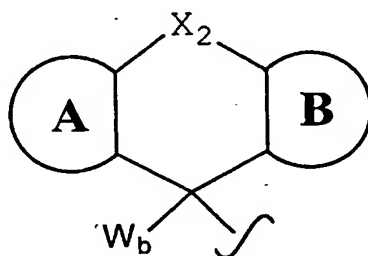
(XVIc)

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V can be W or W_a , which are as described above for Structural Formula (V) - (VIII).

In another preferred embodiment, Z is a tricyclic ring system comprising one or more aromatic groups (i.e., heteroaryl or aromatic carbocyclic) fused to a six, seven or
5 eight membered cycloalkyl group or to a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring. Examples are represented by Structural Formula (XVII):



(XVII)

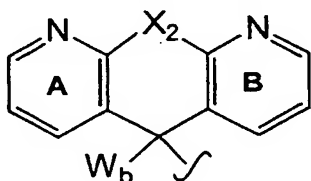
wherein X_2 is -O-, a bond, -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-,
 -O-CH₂-, -CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-,
 -CH₂-NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-.

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹,
 5 -CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹. R¹¹ and
 R¹² are as defined above for Structural Formula (IV).

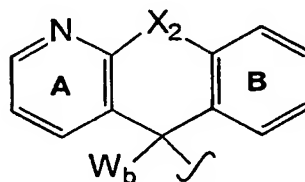
Ring A and Ring B in Structural Formulas (XVII) are
 independently substituted or unsubstituted aromatic groups.

In one example, Ring A is a substituted or unsubstituted
 10 heteroaryl group and Ring B is a substituted or unsubstituted
 aromatic carbocyclic group. In another example Ring A and
 Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted
 heteroaryl groups. In another example, Ring A and Ring B are
 both, independently, a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl
 15 group. In yet another example Ring A is a substituted or
 unsubstituted heteroaryl group, preferably a pyridyl group,
 and Ring B is a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group.
 Suitable tricyclic rings Z can be represented, for example,
 by Structural Formulas (XVIIa) and (XVIIb):

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(XVIIa)



(XVIIb)

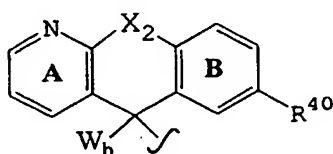
Ring A and/or Ring B can be substituted with R⁴⁰, which is a
 substituent as described herein for an aromatic group.

In a preferred embodiment, Ring A is a pyridyl group,
 Ring B is a phenyl group and Ring B is substituted para to
 25 the carbon atom in Ring B that is also bonded to X_2 in Ring C.

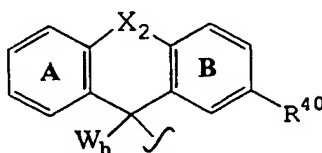
In another preferred embodiment, Ring A is a phenyl group, Ring B is a phenyl group and Ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom in Ring B that is also bonded to X_2 in Ring C.

The Z groups of these embodiments can be represented by Structural Formulas (XVIIIa) and (XVIIIb):

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(XVIIIa)



(XVIIIb)

X_2 is as described in Structural Formula (XVII). Preferably, X_2 is $-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-$, $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{CH}_2-\text{S}-$. W_b is as defined herein.

In one embodiment, R^{40} is $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{COOH}$, $-\text{NO}_2$, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, $-\text{NR}^{24}\text{R}^{25}$, $-\text{CONR}^{24}\text{R}^{25}$, $-\text{C}(=\text{NR}^{60})\text{NR}^{21}\text{R}^{22}$, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, $-\text{Q}-(\text{aliphatic group})$, $-\text{Q}-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$, $-\text{O}-(\text{aliphatic group})$, $-\text{O}-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$, $-\text{O}-(\text{aromatic group})$, $-\text{O}-(\text{substituted aromatic group})$, an electron withdrawing group, $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OR}^{20}$, $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{R}^{20}$, $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NR}^{21}\text{R}^{22}$ or $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{O}-\text{R}^{20}$. Q , R^{20} , R^{21} , R^{22} , R^{24} , R^{25} , R^{60} , u and t are as described herein.

Preferably, R^{40} is an aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, $-\text{O}-(\text{aliphatic group})$ or $-\text{O}-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$. More preferably, R^{40} is $-\text{O}-\text{alkyl}$, such as $-\text{O}-\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{O}-\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$, $-\text{O}-\text{C}_3\text{H}_7$ or $-\text{O}-\text{C}_4\text{H}_9$.

In another embodiment, R^{40} can be represented by $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NR}^{21}\text{R}^{22}$, wherein u is one, t is zero, and R^{21} and R^{22} are as described herein. In this embodiment, R^{21} and R^{22} can each independently be $-\text{H}$, a substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group, a substituted or unsubstituted

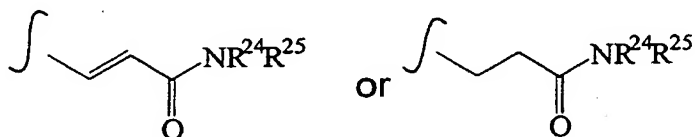
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aromatic group, or R^{21} and R^{22} taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded form a substituted or unsubstituted nonaromatic heterocyclic ring (e.g., pyrrolidine, piperidine, morpholine).

In another embodiment, R^{40} can be represented by
 5 $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$, wherein u is zero, t is one to about three, and R^{21} and R^{22} are as described herein.

In another embodiment, R^{40} can be represented by
 $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$, wherein both u and t are zero, and R^{21} and R^{22} are as described herein.

10 In another embodiment, R^{40} is an aliphatic group (e.g., methyl, ethyl, propyl) that is substituted with $-NR^{24}R^{25}$ or $-CONR^{24}R^{25}$, wherein R^{24} and R^{25} are as described herein. For example, R^{40} can be represented by



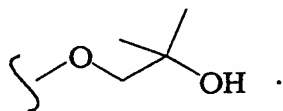
15 In another embodiment, R^{40} is $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$, wherein R^{21} is as described herein, R^{26} can be $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, $-C(O)-O-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), $-C(O)-O-$
 20 (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), $-S(O)_2-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), $-S(O)_2-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or R^{21} and R^{26} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic
 25 heterocyclic ring.

In additional embodiments, R^{40} can be $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$, wherein R^{21} and R^{22} are as described herein.

In a preferred embodiment, the chemokine receptor antagonist can be represented by Structural Formula I wherein
 30 n is three, M is $C(OH)R^2$, R^2 is a phenyl group or a halophenyl group (e.g., 4-chlorophenyl) and Z is represented by

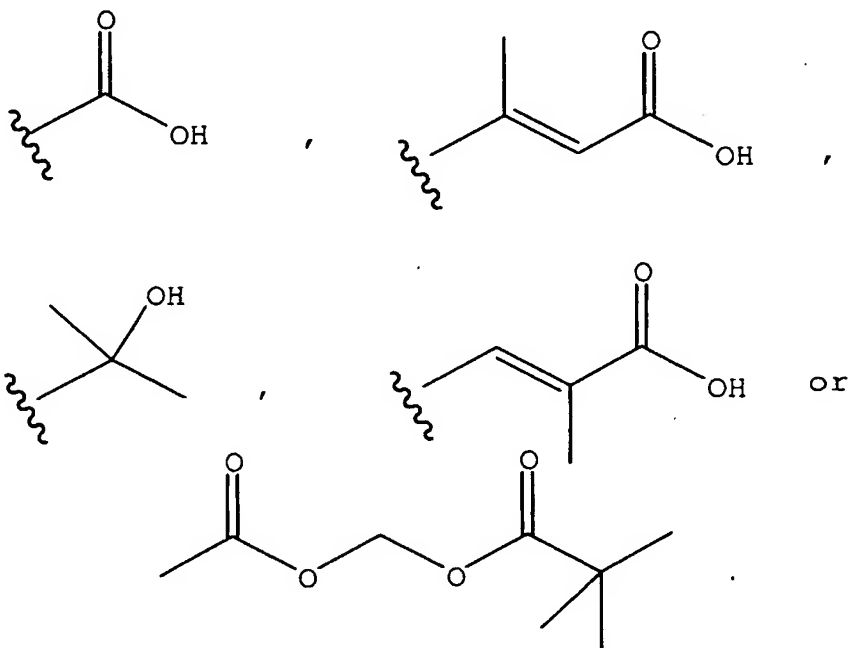
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Structural Formula (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb) wherein X_2 is $-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-$. In one example of this embodiment, R^{40} can be $-\text{O}-$ (substituted aliphatic group), such as



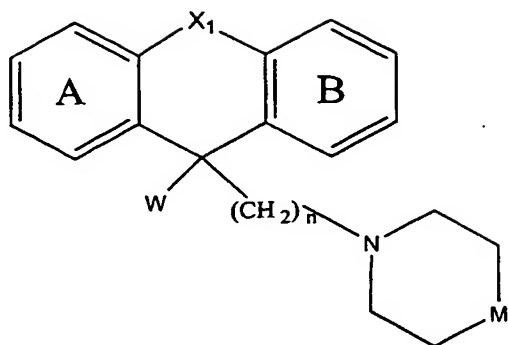
In particularly preferred embodiments, R^{40} is

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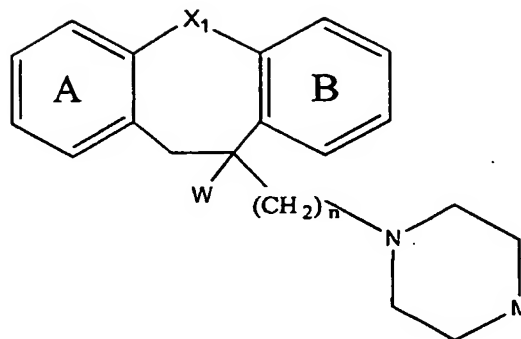


In yet another preferred embodiment, the antagonist of chemokine function is a compound represented by Structural Formula (XXII) and (XXIII):

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(XXII)



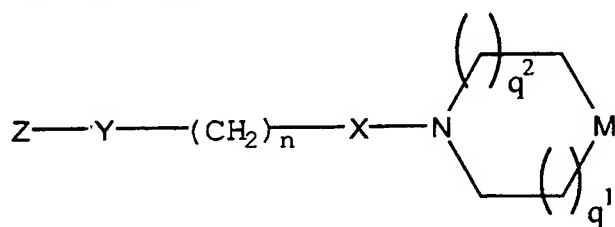
(XXIII)

In Structural Formulas (XXII) and (XXIII), X_1 can be as defined above for Structural Formulas (V) and (VI); n is an integer from two to five; W can be $-H$, $-CN$, $-CH=NH$, an electron withdrawing group, $-CH_2-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-OR^{11}$,

5 $-CH_2-NH-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-O-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $-CH_2-NHC(O)-O-R^{11}$.

In Structural Formulas (XXII) and (XXIII), Ring A can be substituted with R^8 and R^9 , wherein R^8 and R^9 are independently $-H$, a halogen, alkoxy or alkyl, or, taken together with Ring A, form a naphthyl group. M is $>N(\text{alkanoyl})$, $>N(\text{aroyl})$,
 10 $>N(\text{aralkoyl})$, $>N(\text{alkyl})$, $>N(\text{aralkyl})$, $>N(\text{cycloalkyl})$, $>C(OH)(\text{aryl})$ or $>CH(\text{heteroaryl})$.

In another embodiment, the antagonist of chemokine activity can be represented by Structural Formula (XXIV):



(XXIV)

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and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

n , Y and X are as described in Structural Formula (I).

M is $>NR^2$, $>CR^1R^2$, $-O-CR^1R^2-O-$ or $-CH_2-CR^1R^2-O-$.

R^1 and R^2 are as described in Structural Formula (I).

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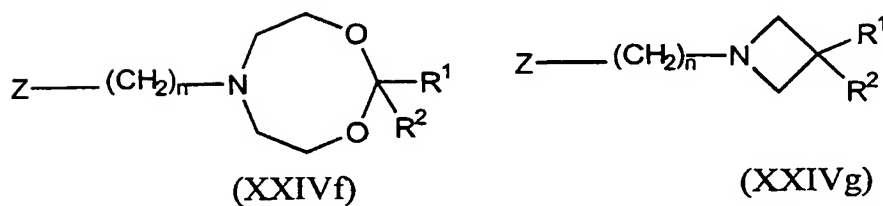
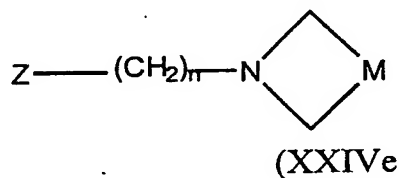
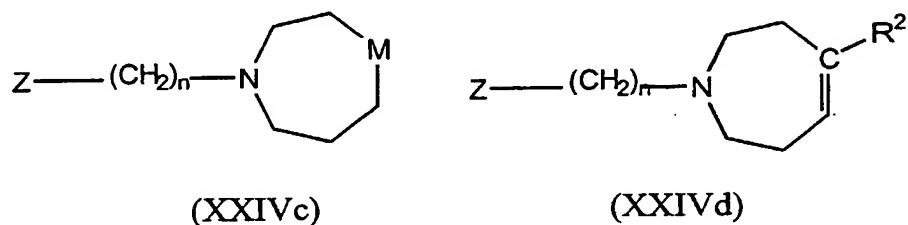
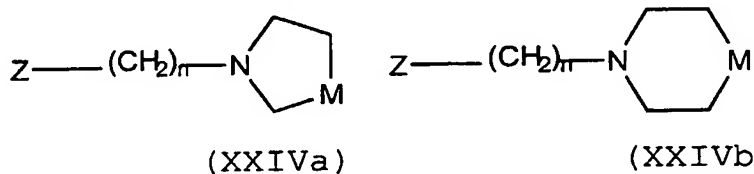
Z is as described in Structural Formulas (IV)

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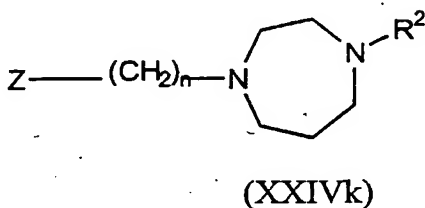
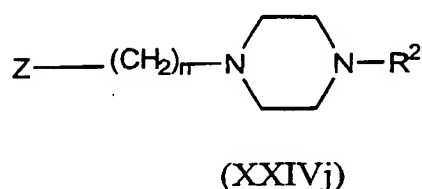
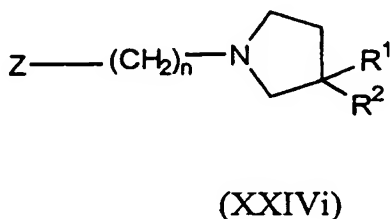
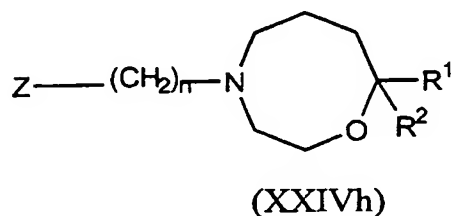
-(VIII) and/or (XI)-(XVII), (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

Preferably, Z is as described in Structural Formula (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

5 q^1 is an integer, such as an integer from zero to about three, and q^2 is an integer from zero to about one. The ring containing M can be substituted or unsubstituted. Thus, the antagonist of chemokine function can be represented by, for example, Structural Formulas (XXIVa)-(XXIVk):



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and physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein Z, n and M are as described in Structural Formula (XXIV), and the ring which contains M is substituted or unsubstituted. The
 5 ring containing M can have one or more suitable substituents which are the same or different. Suitable substituents for the ring which contains M and other nonaromatic heterocyclic rings are as described herein. For example, the ring containing M can be substituted with a methyl, ethyl, propyl,
 10 butyl or oxo group.

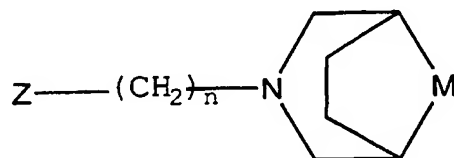
The nitrogen atom in the ring containing M can be a tertiary nitrogen as depicted in Structural Formula (IV), or the nitrogen atom can be quaternized with a suitable
 15 substituent, such as a C₁ to about C₆ or a C₁ to about C₃ substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group. Compounds which comprise a quaternary nitrogen atom can also contain a counteranion such as chloride, bromide, iodide, acetate, perchlorate and the like.

The antagonist of chemokine function can be represented
 20 by Structural Formula (XXIV) wherein the heterocyclic ring containing M is substituted with a suitable bivalent group which is bonded to two atoms that are in the ring, thereby

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forming a bicyclic moiety. Suitable bivalent groups include, for example, substituted or unsubstituted bivalent aliphatic groups, such as a C₁-C₆ alkylene group.

The antagonist of chemokine receptor function can comprise a variety of bicyclic moieties. In one embodiment, the antagonist of chemokine receptor function can be represented by Structural Formula (XXV):

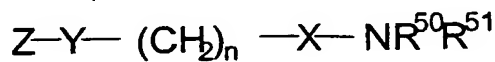


(XXV)

and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

M is $>\text{NR}^2$, $>\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2$, $-\text{O}-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$. Preferably, M is $>\text{NR}^2$ or $>\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2$. R¹, R² and n are as described in Structural Formula (I), and Z are as described herein. Preferably, Z is as described in Structural Formula (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

In another embodiment, the antagonist of chemokine receptor function is represented by Structural Formula (XXVI):



(XXVI)

and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

Z is as described herein, preferably as described in Structural Formula (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

n is an integer, such as an integer from one to about four. Preferably, n is one, two or three. More preferably n is two. In alternative embodiments, other aliphatic or aromatic spacer groups (L) can be employed for (CH₂)_n.

R⁵⁰ and R⁵¹ are each independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, -NR³R⁴, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group,

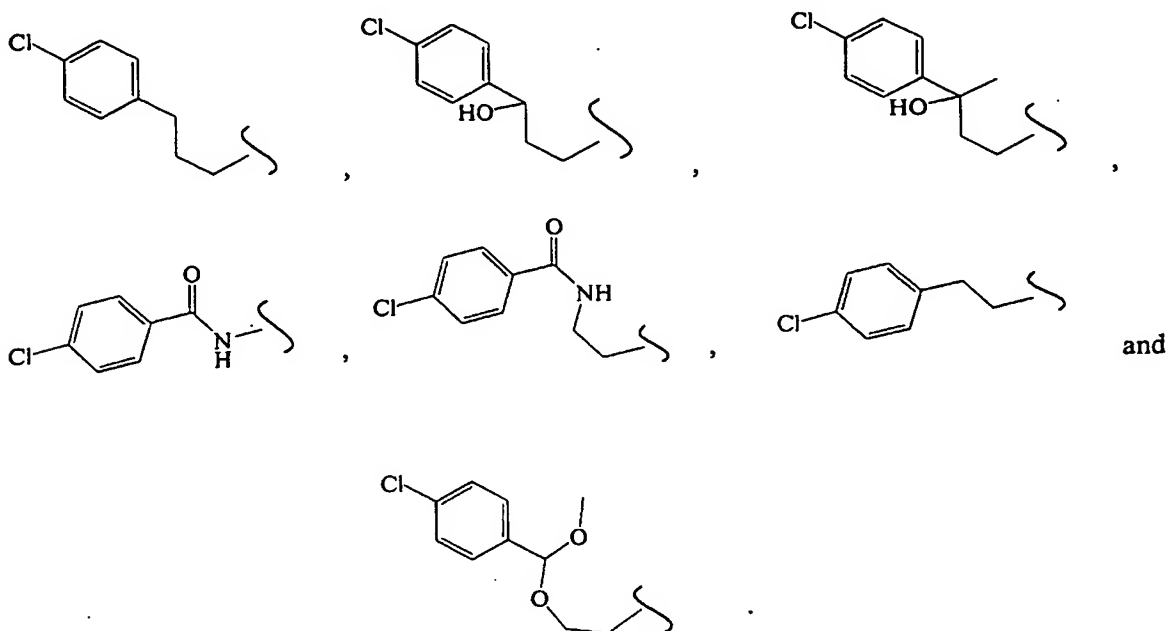
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a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a covalent bond between the nitrogen atom and an adjacent carbon atom.

5 R^3 and R^4 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group. R^3 and R^4 taken together with the atom
10 to which they are bonded, can alternatively form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.

In a preferred embodiment R^{50} is a substituted aliphatic group, such as a substituted C_1 to about C_{12} alkyl group, and
15 R^{51} is -H or a substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group. More preferably, R^{50} is a substituted linear or branched C_2 to about C_7 aliphatic group wherein one or more carbon atoms can be replaced by a heteroatom, such as nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur, and R^{51} is -H or a linear or branched C_1 to about C_6 or
20 a C_1 to about C_3 aliphatic group wherein one or more carbon atoms can be replaced by a heteroatom. R^{50} and R^{51} can be substituted with one or more suitable substituents, as described herein, preferably with an aromatic group (e.g., phenyl, 4-halophenyl). For example, R^{50} can be selected from
25 the group consisting of:

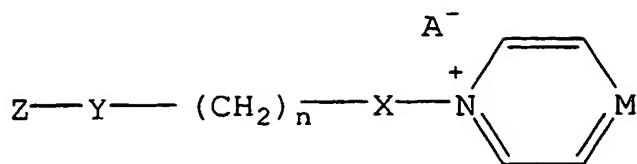
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The activity of chemokine receptor antagonists represented by Structural Formula XXVI can be affected by the character of the nitrogen atom to which R⁵⁰ and R⁵¹ are bonded. It is believed that compounds in which said nitrogen atom is basic can have potent chemokine receptor antagonist activity. It is known that the basicity of a nitrogen atom can be decreased when the nitrogen atom is bonded to a carbonyl group, sulfonyl group or a sulfinyl group. Therefore, it is preferred that neither R⁵⁰ nor R⁵¹ comprise a carbonyl group, sulfonyl group or sulfinyl group that is directly bonded to the nitrogen atom.

In another aspect, the antagonist of chemokine receptor function is represented by Structural Formula (XXVII):

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and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

n, Y and X are as described in Structural Formula (I).

M is $>\text{NR}^2$ or $>\text{CR}^2$.

R^2 is as described in Structural Formula (I).

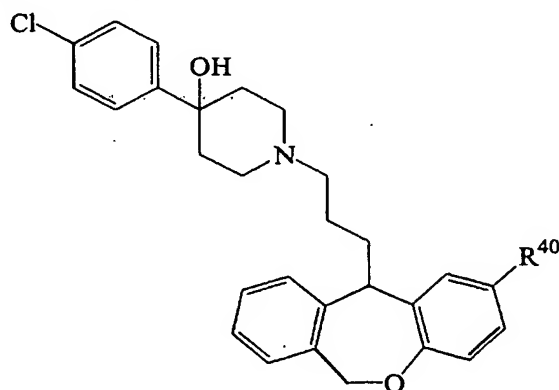
5 Z is as described in Structural Formulas (IV)

-(VIII) and/or (XI)-(XVII), (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

Preferably, Z is as described in Structural Formula (XVIIIa) or (XVIIIb).

10 A^- is a physiologically acceptable anion. Preferably, A^- is Cl^- or Br^- .

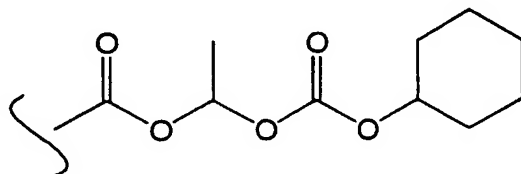
The chemokine receptor antagonist described herein can be prepared and administered as active compounds or as prodrugs. Generally, prodrugs are analogues of pharmaceutical agents which can undergo chemical conversion by metabolic processes to become fully active. For example, A prodrug of the invention can be prepared by selecting appropriate groups for R^{40} . In one embodiment, a prodrug can be represented by Structural Formula (XXVIII):



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(XXVIII)

wherein, R^{40} is Q-substituted aliphatic group, and the aliphatic group is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)OR^{20}$, wherein Q is $-C(O)O-$, u is one, t is zero and R^{20} is a cyclic aliphatic group. For example, when the substituted aliphatic group is a substituted ethyl group, R^{40} can be represented by:



Such a prodrug can be converted to an active chemokine receptor antagonist represented by Structural Formula (XXVIII), wherein R^{40} is $-COOH$.

Another embodiment of the invention provides novel compounds employed in these methods.

Also included in the present invention are physiologically acceptable salts of the compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) through (XXVIII). Salts of compounds containing an amine or other basic group can be obtained, for example, by reacting with a suitable organic or inorganic acid, such as hydrogen chloride, hydrogen bromide, acetic acid, citric acid, perchloric acid and the like. Compounds with a quaternary ammonium group also contain a counteranion such as chloride, bromide, iodide, acetate, perchlorate and the like. Salts of compounds containing a carboxylic acid or other acidic functional group can be prepared by reacting with a suitable base, for example, a hydroxide base. Salts of acidic functional groups contain a counteranion such as sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium and the like.

As used herein, aliphatic groups include straight chained, branched or cyclic C_1 - C_{20} hydrocarbons which are completely saturated or which contain one or more units of unsaturation. Preferred aliphatic groups are C_1 to about C_{10} hydrocarbons. More preferred are C_1 to about C_6 or C_1 to about

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C₃ hydrocarbons. One or more carbon atoms in an aliphatic group can be replaced with a heteroatom, such as nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur. For example, suitable aliphatic groups include substituted or unsubstituted linear, branched or cyclic C₁-C₂₀ alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl groups.

5 An aminoalkyl group is an alkyl group substituted with -NR²⁴R²⁵, R²⁴ and R²⁵ are as described herein. Preferably the alkyl moiety comprises one to about twelve, more preferably one to about six carbon atoms. The alkyl moiety of an aminoalkyl group can be unsubstituted or substituted as
10 described herein for aliphatic groups. Examples of suitable aminoalkyl groups include aminomethyl, 2-aminoethyl, 3-aminopropyl, 4-aminobutyl, dimethylaminoethyl, diethylaminomethyl, methylaminohexyl, aminoethylenyl and the like.

15 An "alkyl group" is a saturated aliphatic group, as defined above. The term "alkoxy" refers to an alkyl ether chain with an alkyl group. "Alkanoyl" refers to alkyl substituted carbonyl; "aralkanoyl" refers to phenyl-alkyl-CO- and "aroyl" refers to arylcarbonyl including benzoyl,
20 naphthoyl and the like. The term "halogen" means fluoro, chloro, bromo and iodo. The term "substituted phenyl" means phenyl substituted by alkyl, halogen, alkoxy, nitro, amino, acetamido, cyano and trifluoromethyl and naphthyl. "Aralkyl" means -(CH₂)_x-aryl, wherein x is an integer from one to four
25 including benzyl.

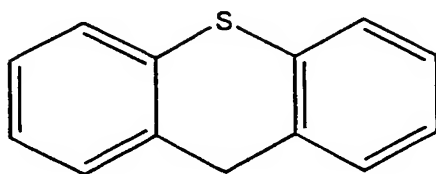
Aromatic groups include carbocyclic aromatic groups such as phenyl, 1-naphthyl, 2-naphthyl, 1-anthracyl and 2-anthracyl, and heterocyclic aromatic or heteroaryl groups such as N-imidazolyl, 2-imidazolyl, 4-imidazolyl,
30 5-imidazolyl, 2-thienyl, 3-thienyl, 2-furanyl, 3-furanyl, 2-pyrrolyl, 3-pyrrolyl, 2-pyridyl, 3-pyridyl, 4-pyridyl, 2-pyrimidyl, 4-pyrimidyl, 5-pyrimidyl, 3-pyridazinyl, 4-pyridazinyl, 3-pyrazolyl, 4-pyrazolyl, 5-pyrazolyl, 2-pyrazinyl, 2-thiazolyl, 4-thiazolyl, 5-thiazolyl,

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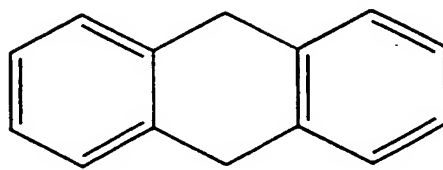
5-tetrazolyl, 2-oxazolyl, 4-oxazolyl and 5-oxazolyl. Where these rings are fused, for example, to Ring C, the stated point of attachment can be either of the two fused bonds.

Aromatic groups also include fused polycyclic aromatic ring systems in which a carbocyclic aromatic ring or heteroaryl ring is fused to one or more other rings. Examples include tetrahydronaphthyl, 2-benzothienyl, 3-benzothienyl, 2-benzofuranyl, 3-benzofuranyl, 2-indolyl, 3-indolyl, 2-quinol. nyl, 3-quinoliny, 2-benzothiazolyl, 2-benzooxazolyl, 2-benzimidazolyl, 2-quinoliny, 3-quinoliny, 1-isoquinoliny, 3-isoquinoliny, 1-isoindolyl, 3-isoindolyl, and acridiny. Also included within the scope of the term "aromatic group", as it is used herein, is a group in which one or more carbocyclic aromatic rings and/or heteroaryl rings are fused to a cycloalkyl or non-aromatic heterocyclic ring. Examples include benzocyclopentane, benzocyclohexane, decalin, phthalimido, benzodiazepines, benzooxazepines, benzooxazines, phenothiazines, and groups represented by the following structural formulas:

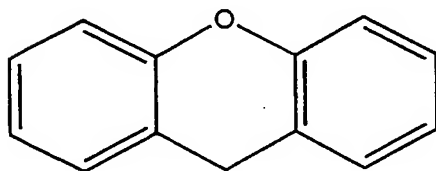
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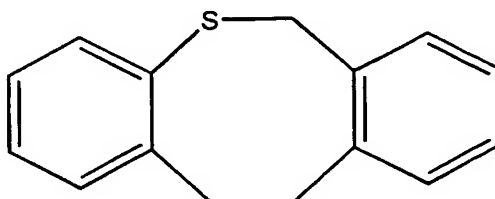
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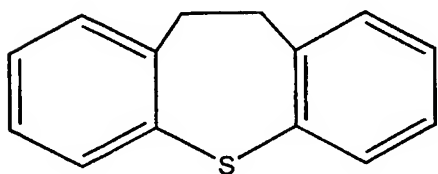
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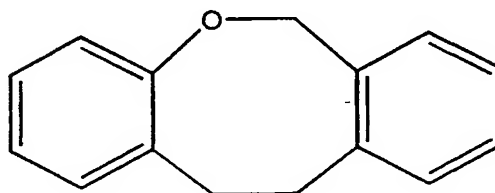
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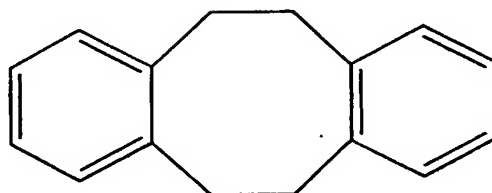


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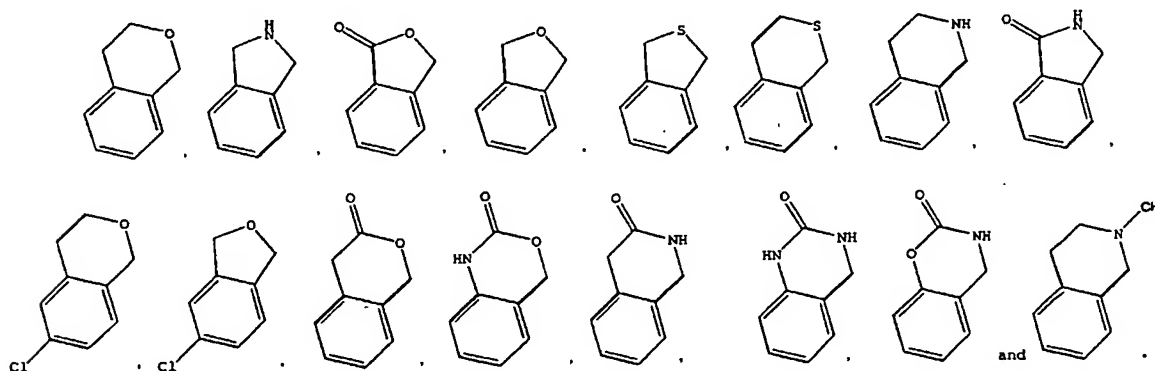


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Non-aromatic heterocyclic rings are non-aromatic carbocyclic rings which include one or more heteroatoms such as nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur in the ring. The ring can be five, six, seven or eight-membered and/or fused to another ring, such as a cycloalkyl or aromatic ring. Examples

- 5 include, for example, 1,3-dioxolan-2-yl, 3-1H-benzimidazol-2-one, 3-1-alkyl-benzimidazol-2-one, 3-1-methyl-benzimidazol-2-one, 2-tetrahydrofuranyl, 3-tetrahydrofuranyl, 2-tetrahydrothiophenyl, 3-tetrahydrothiophenyl, 2-morpholino, 3-morpholino,
 10 4-morpholino, 2-thiomorpholino, 3-thiomorpholino, 4-thiomorpholino, 1-pyrrolidinyl, 2-pyrrolidinyl, 3-pyrrolidinyl, 1-piperazinyl, 2-piperazinyl, 1-piperidinyl, 2-piperidinyl, 3-piperidinyl, 4-piperidinyl, 4-thiazolidinyl, diazolonyl,
 15 N-substituted diazolonyl, 1-phthalimidyl, 1-3-alkyl-phthalimidyl, benzoxane, benzopyrrolidine, benzopiperidine, benzoxolane, benzothiolane, benzothiane, tetrahydrofuran-2-one-3-yl, 2,5-dihydro-5-oxo-4H-1,2,4-thiadiazol-3-yl, 2-oxo-3H-1,2,3,5-oxathiadiazol-4-yl,

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"Heterocyclic ring", includes "heteroaryl group" and "non-aromatic heterocyclic ring", and is defined as imidazole, benzimidazole, pyridine, pyrimidine, thiazole, benzothiazole, thienyl, benzothienyl.

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Suitable substituents on an alkyl, aliphatic, aromatic, non-aromatic heterocyclic ring or benzyl group include, for example, an electron withdrawing group, an aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, azido, -OH, a halogen (-Br, -Cl, -I and -F), -O-(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -CN, -NO₂, -COOH, -NH₂, -NH(aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -N-(aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group)₂, -COO(aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -CONH₂, -CONH(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -CON(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group)₂, -OSO₂NH₂, -OSO₂NH(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -OSO₂N(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group)₂, -SO₂NH₂, -SO₂NH(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group), -SO₂N(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic group, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group)₂, -SH, -SO_k(aliphatic, substituted aliphatic, benzyl, substituted benzyl, aromatic or substituted aromatic group) (k is 0, 1 or 2), -NH-C(=NH)-NH₂, ureido, oxalo, amidino, -C(=NR⁶⁰)NR²¹R²², =NR⁶⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-COOR²⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-OC(O)R²⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)-NR²¹R²², - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-NHC(O)O-R²⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)OR²⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-OC(O)R²⁰, - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)-NR²¹R²², - (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-NHC(O)O-R²⁰, -Q-H, -Q-(aliphatic group), -Q-(substituted aliphatic group), -Q-(aryl), -Q-(aromatic group), -Q-(substituted aromatic

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group), -Q-(CH₂)_p-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) (p is an integer from 1-5), -Q-(non-aromatic heterocyclic group) or -Q-(CH₂)_p-(non-aromatic heterocyclic group).

R²⁰, R²¹ and R²² are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -NHC(O)-O-(aliphatic group), -NHC(O)-O-(aromatic group) or -NHC(O)-O-(non-aromatic heterocyclic group), or R²¹ and R²², taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

R⁶⁰ is a -H, -OH, -NH₂, an aromatic group or a substituted aromatic group.

t is an integer from zero to about three, and the methylene group, -(CH₂)_t-, can be substituted, as described herein for aliphatic groups, or unsubstituted.

u is zero or one.

Q is -O-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O)₂-, -OS(O)₂-, -C(O)-, -OC(O)-, -C(O)O-, -C(O)C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)C(O)-, -C(O)NH-, -NHC(O)-, -OC(O)NH-, -NHC(O)O-, -NH-C(O)-NH-, -S(O)₂NH-, -NHS(O)₂-, -N(R²³)-, -C(NR²³)NHNH-, -NHNHC(NR²³)-, -NR²⁴C(O)- or -NR²⁴S(O)₂-.

R²³ is -H, an aliphatic group, a benzyl group, an aryl group or non-aromatic heterocyclic group.

R²⁴ and R²⁵ are independently -H, -OH, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, a benzyl group, an aryl group, non-aromatic heterocyclic group, or R²⁴ and R²⁵ taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

A substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring, benzyl group or aromatic group can also have an aromatic group, an aliphatic or substituted aliphatic group, as a substituent. When a non-aromatic ring (carbocyclic or heterocyclic) or an aromatic ring (carbocyclic aromatic or heteroaryl) is substituted with another ring, the two rings can be fused. A substituted aliphatic group can also have an oxo group, epoxy

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group, non-aromatic heterocyclic ring, benzyl group, substituted benzyl group, aromatic group or substituted aromatic group as a substituent. A substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring can also have =O, =S, =NH or =N(aliphatic, aromatic or substituted aromatic group) as a substituent. A substituted aliphatic, substituted aromatic, substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring or substituted benzyl group can have more than one substituent, which can be the same or different.

Suitable electron withdrawing groups include, for example, alkylimines, alkylsulfonyl, carboxamido, carboxylic alkyl esters, -CH=NH, -CN, -NO₂ and halogens.

Acyl groups include substituted and unsubstituted aliphatic carbonyl, aromatic carbonyl, aliphatic sulfonyl and aromatic sulfonyl.

The compounds disclosed herein can be obtained as different stereoisomers (e.g., diastereomers and enantiomers). For example, when the antagonist of chemokine receptor function is represented by Structural Formula (I) and Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), the carbon atom in Ring C which is bonded to Y may be in the R or S stereoconfiguration. It is pointed out that the invention includes all isomeric forms and racemic mixtures of the disclosed compounds and a method of treating a subject with both pure isomers and mixtures thereof, including racemic mixtures. It is understood that one stereoisomer may be more active than another. The desired isomer can be determined by screening for activity, employing the methods described herein.

In the structural formulas depicted herein, the single or double bond by which a chemical group or moiety is connected to the remainder of the molecule or compound is indicated by the following symbol:



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For example, the corresponding symbol in Structural Formula (V) or (VIII) indicates that the tricyclic ring system, which represents Z in Structural Formula (I), is connected to the alkylene group in Structural Formula (I) by a single covalent bond between the alkylene group and the ring carbon in Ring C
5 which is bonded to W.

A "subject" is preferably a bird or mammal, such as a human, but can also be an animal in need of veterinary treatment, e.g., domestic animals (e.g., dogs, cats, and the like), farm animals (e.g., cows, sheep, fowl, pigs, horses,
10 and the like) and laboratory animals (e.g., rats, mice, guinea pigs, and the like).

An "effective amount" of a compound is an amount which results in the inhibition of one or more processes mediated by the binding of a chemokine to a receptor in a subject with
15 a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation. Examples of such processes include leukocyte migration, integrin activation, transient increases in the concentration of intracellular free calcium $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ and granule release of proinflammatory mediators.
20 Alternatively, an "effective amount" of a compound is a quantity sufficient to achieve a desired therapeutic and/or prophylactic effect, such as an amount which results in the prevention of or a decrease in the symptoms associated with a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or
25 activation.

The amount of compound administered to the individual will depend on the type and severity of the disease and on the characteristics of the individual, such as general health, age, sex, body weight and tolerance to drugs. It
30 will also depend on the degree, severity and type of disease. The skilled artisan will be able to determine appropriate dosages depending on these and other factors. Typically, an effective amount of the compound can range from about 0.1 mg per day to about 100 mg per day for an adult. Preferably,
35 the dosage ranges from about 1 mg per day to about 100 mg per day. An antagonist of chemokine receptor function can also

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be administered in combination with one or more additional therapeutic agents, e.g. theophylline, β -adrenergic bronchodilators, corticosteroids, antihistamines, antiallergic agents, immunosuppressive agents (e.g., cyclosporin A, FK-506, prednisone, methylprednisolone) and
5 the like.

The compound can be administered by any suitable route, including, for example, orally in capsules, suspensions or tablets or by parenteral administration. Parenteral
10 administration can include, for example, systemic administration, such as by intramuscular, intravenous, subcutaneous, or intraperitoneal injection. The compound can also be administered orally (e.g., dietary), topically, transdermally, by inhalation (e.g., intrabronchial, intranasal, oral inhalation or intranasal drops), or
15 rectally, depending on the disease or condition to be treated. Oral or parenteral administration are preferred modes of administration.

The compound can be administered to the individual in conjunction with an acceptable pharmaceutical or
20 physiological carrier as part of a pharmaceutical composition for treatment of HIV infection, inflammatory disease, or the other diseases discussed above. Formulation of a compound to be administered will vary according to the route of administration selected (e.g., solution, emulsion, capsule).
25 Suitable carriers may contain inert ingredients which do not interact with the compound. Standard pharmaceutical formulation techniques can be employed, such as those described in Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences, Mack Publishing Company, Easton, PA. Suitable pharmaceutical
30 carriers for parenteral administration include, for example, sterile water, physiological saline, bacteriostatic saline (saline containing about 0.9% mg/ml benzyl alcohol), phosphate-buffered saline, Hank's solution, Ringer's-lactate and the like. Methods for encapsulating compositions (such
35 as in a coating of hard gelatin or cyclodextran) are known in

the art (Baker, et al., "Controlled Release of Biological Active Agents", John Wiley and Sons, 1986).

The activity of compounds of the present invention can be assessed using suitable assays, such as receptor binding assays and chemotaxis assays. For example, as described in the Exemplification Section, small molecule antagonists of RANTES and MIP-1 α binding have been identified utilizing THP-1 cells which bind RANTES and chemotax in response to RANTES and MIP-1 α as a model for leukocyte chemotaxis. Specifically, a high through-put receptor binding assay, which monitors ¹²⁵I-RANTES and ¹²⁵I-MIP-1 α binding to THP-1 cell membranes, was used to identify small molecule antagonists which block binding of RANTES and MIP-1 α . Compounds of the present invention can also be identified by virtue of their ability to inhibit the activation steps triggered by binding of a chemokine to its receptor, such as chemotaxis, integrin activation and granule mediator release. They can also be identified by virtue of their ability to block RANTES and MIP-1 α mediated HL-60, T-cell, peripheral blood mononuclear cell, and eosinophil chemotactic response.

The compounds disclosed herein can be prepared accordingly to the schemes shown in Figures 1-5 and 7-8. The schemes are described in greater detail below.

Figure 1 is a schematic showing the preparation of the compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), wherein W is CN.

L¹, L² and L³ in Figure 1 are suitable leaving groups such as halogen; p-toluene sulfonate, mesylate, alkoxy and phenoxy. The other symbols are as defined above.

The reduction reaction in Step 1 of Figure 1 is performed with a reducing agent such as or sodium borohydride or lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) in an inert solvent such as methanol or tetrahydrofuran (THF). The reaction is carried out at temperatures ranging from 0°C up to the reflux temperature and for 5 minutes to 72 h.

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Compounds represented by formula II in Figure 1 can be prepared by procedures disclosed in JP 61/152673, U.S. Patent 5089496, WO 89/10369, WO 92/20681 and WO 93/02081, the entire teachings of which are incorporated herein by reference.

5 A chlorination reaction in step 2 of Figure 1 can be performed with reagents such as thionyl chloride. The reaction can be carried out in an inert solvent such as methylene chloride at 0°C up to the reflux temperature for 5 minutes to 72 h. The hydroxy group can be also converted to
10 other leaving groups by methods familiar to those skilled in the art.

 The cyanation reaction in step 3 of Figure 1 can be carried out using reagents such as copper cyanide, silver cyanide or sodium cyanide in an inert solvent such as benzene
15 or toluene. Reaction temperatures range from 0°C up to the reflux temperature for 5 minutes to 72 h. Compounds represented by Formula V in Figure 1 can also be prepared by the procedures described in J. Med. Chem. 1994, 37, 804-810 and U.S. Patent 5672611, the entire teachings of which are
20 incorporated herein by reference.

 The alkylation reactions in steps 4 and 5 of Figure 1 can be carried out in a solvent such as acetone, methyl ethyl ketone, ethyl acetate, toluene, tetrahydrofuran (THF) or dimethylformamide (DMF) in the presence of a base such as
25 potassium carbonate or sodium hydride and a catalyst such as an alkali metal iodide (when necessary). The reaction temperature can range from room temperature up to the reflux temperature and for 5 minutes to 72 h.

 The product of the synthetic scheme shown in Figure 1 can
30 be decyanated using a reducing agent such as lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) in an inert solvent such as ether or tetrahydrofuran (THF) at 0°C up to the reflux temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h.

 Figure 2 is a schematic showing the preparation of
35 representative compounds of Structural Formula (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (IV) and wherein

Ring A and/or Ring B in Z can be substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-OC(O)R^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-NHC(O)-O-R^{20}$.

In Figure 2, the hydrolysis reaction may be carried out in a mixture of aqueous alkali metal hydroxide solution and a solvent such as methanol, ethanol, tetrahydrofuran (THF) or dioxane at room temperature up to the reflux temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h. The acylation reaction can be carried out using dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC) or (1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide (DEC) in a solvent such as tetrahydrofuran (THF), dimethylformamide (DMF) or methylene chloride in the presence of a base such as pyridine or triethylamine (when necessary) at temperatures of 0 to 100°C for 5 minutes to 72 h.

Compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (XVI), X is $-CO-N(R_c)-$ and R_c is $-(CH_2)_s-COOR^{30}$, $-(CH_2)_s-C(O)-NR^{31}R^{32}$ or $-(CH_2)_s-NHC(O)-O-R^{30}$, can be prepared by suitable modification of the scheme shown in Figure 1. One modification utilizes the starting material shown in Figure 1, wherein X is $-CO-NH-$. The amide is then alkylated with $L^3-(CH_2)_s-COOR^{30}$ using the alkylation procedures described above. L^3 is a suitable leaving group. The remainder of the synthesis is as described in Figures 1 and 2.

Figure 3 is a schematic showing the preparation of the compounds represented by Structural Formula (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VIII) and (XIII)-(XVI) and wherein V is W_a .

The reduction of the cyano group to an amine in Figure 3 can be carried out using metal hydrides or by catalytic reduction processes. Suitable reducing agents include lithium aluminum hydride (LAH), diisobutyl aluminum hydride (DIBAL-H), borane-methyl sulfide complex or sodium borohydride. The reduction can be carried out in an inert solvent such as ether, tetrahydrofuran (THF), methylene chloride or methanol at -78°C up to the reflux temperature for 5 minutes to 72 h. It is also possible to isolate the

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corresponding imine intermediate, which can be converted to the amine using similar reduction processes.

Figure 4 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), wherein W is H. The reduction of the double bond in step 1 of Figure 4 can be carried out using the catalytic reduction process. Suitable catalyst include palladium-carbon, platinum oxide or Ranney-nickel. The reduction can be carried out in an inert solvent such as methanol, ethanol or acetic acid at temperatures of 0 to 70°C under a hydrogen pressure of 1 to 100 atm for 5 minutes to 72 h. The alkylation reactions in step 2 of Figure 4 can be carried out using the same reactants and conditions as those in step 5 of Figure 1.

Figure 5 is a schematic showing the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I) and (II), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (IV), wherein W is H. The alkylation reaction in step 1 of Figure 5 can be carried out using the same reactants and conditions as those in step 5 of Figure 1. The reduction of the double bond in step 2 of Figure 5 can be carried out using the same reactants and conditions as those in step 1 of Figure 4.

Figure 7 shows the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formula (I), where in Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VI) and wherein Ring A and/or Ring B in Z is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, u is one. In Figure 7, the alkylation reaction may be carried out in a solvent such as acetone, methyl ethyl ketone, ethyl acetate, toluene, tetrahydrofuran (THF) or dimethylformamide (DMF) in the presence of a base such as potassium carbonate or sodium hydride and a catalyst such as an alkali metal iodide at room temperature up to the reflux temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h.

Figure 8 shows the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formula (I), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formulas (VI) and wherein Ring A or Ring B in Z is substituted with $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-COOR^{20}$, u is zero. L4 is a

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suitable leaving group such as halogen or trifluoromethylsulfonate. In Figure 8, a palladium coupling reaction such as Stille coupling, Suzuki coupling, Heck reaction, or carboxylation using carbon monoxide can be carried out using a palladium catalyst such as

5 tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium, bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium chloride, and palladium acetate in a solvent such as tetrahydrofuran (THF), 1,4-dioxane, toluene, dimethylformamide (DMF), or dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) in the presence of additive (when

10 necessary) such as triphenylphosphine, 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene, triethylamine, sodium bicarbonate, tetraethylammonium chloride, or lithium chloride at room temperature up to the reflux temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h. Figure 8B shows

15 the preparation of N-benzyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine.

Step 1

To a stirred solution of commercially available 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine (10 g, 47 mmol., **1**) in

20 anhydrous DMF (10 mL) was added benzyl bromide (5.6 mL, 47 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (7.4 g, 94 mmol.) and stirred at RT overnight. Excess solvent was removed under reduced pressure, brought up into CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL) washed with H_2O (2 X 50 mL). Organic layer separated, dried over Na_2SO_4 and

25 charged on a silica gel flash column. Eluting off with 2% MeOH/ CH_2Cl_2 10 g **2** (80% yield) was obtained as a viscous liquid. MS m/z: (M+ 303)

Step 2

N-benzyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-fluoropiperidine

30 To a cold ($-78^\circ C$) solution of **2** (10 g, 33 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) was slowly added DAST (diethylaminosulfur trifluoride, 5.3 mL, 39.8 mmol) under an inert atmosphere. The reaction was stirred at $-78^\circ C$ for an additional 45 min.

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The reaction was quenched at -78°C by the slow addition of enough saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution to afford a $\text{pH} > 8$. This reaction resulted a quantitative conversion of the starting material to a 1:1 mixture of fluoropiperidine **3** and 4-(4-chlorophenyl)tetrahydropyridine

5 **4**. The mixture of **3** and **4** (3.5 g, mixture, ~35% yield) was purified via silica gel flash chromatography, eluting with 2% $\text{MeOH}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$. This mixture proved to be inseparable by silica gel flash chromatography. In order to separate out the desired product, the mixture of **3** and **4** were subjected to
10 osmium tetroxide oxidation.

To a stirred solution of the mixture of **3** and **4** (1.8 g) in acetone/ H_2O (5:1, 10 mL) was added a catalytic amount of OsO_4 in isopropanol (2.5 mol %, 1 mL) and *N*-methylmorpholine-*N*-oxide (0.69 g, 6.56 mmol). The reaction was stirred at RT
15 overnight. The reaction was then evaporated to dryness, brought up into CH_2Cl_2 and washed with NaHSO_3 . This reaction resulted in the dihydroxylation of the undesired **4** to **5** and the clean separation of the desired fluoropiperidine **3** (1.0 g, 55% yield) from the byproduct by silica gel flash
20 chromatography eluting with 2% $\text{MeOH}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$. MS m/z : ($M+306$)
Step 3

4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-fluoropiperidine

To a cold (0°C) solution of **3** (1.07 g, 3.5 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane was added 1,1-chloroethylchloroformate
25 (0.45 mL, 4.2 mmol). The reaction was then heated to reflux for 2 hrs. Excess solvent was removed and the residue was brought up into 5 mL methanol. The mixture was refluxed for 2 hrs and excess methanol was removed under reduced pressure. Precipitation of the hydrochloride salt of **6** by the addition
30 of CH_2Cl_2 /hexane (1:1) followed by filtration resulted in the quantitative isolation of the desired crystalline product **6** (80%, 0.70 g). MS m/z : ($M+215$)

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The product of this scheme can be used to prepare compounds of Structural Formula (I) wherein R¹ is -F.

Figure 8C shows the preparation of 4-azido-4-(4-chlorophenyl)piperidine.

To a cold (0°C) solution of **1** (3.0 g, 14 mmol) in anhydrous dioxane (15 mL) under an inert atmosphere was added NaN₃ (1.0 g, 15.4 mmol) followed by the slow dropwise addition of and BF₃•OEt (4.4 mL, 35 mmol). The reaction was stirred at 0°C for 3 hrs and was quenched at 0°C by the slow careful addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ to basicity. The organic layer was separated and dried over Na₂SO₄. The reaction mixture was purified via silica gel flash chromatography eluting a 2 g 1:3 mixture of azidopiperidine **2** and olefin **3** with 2% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂. The mixture can be used directly to prepare compounds represented by Structural Formula (I) wherein R¹ is -N₃.

Figure 8D shows the preparation of *N*-benzyl-4-methylpiperidine.

Step 1

To a cold (-78°C) stirred solution of 1.4 M methyllithium in THF (39 mL, 54 mmol) under an inert atmosphere was added *N*-benzyl-4-oxopiperidine (**1**, 5.1 g, 27 mmol). The reaction was stirred at -78°C for 2hrs. The reaction was quenched by the slow addition of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl, the organic layer was separated and dried over Na₂SO₄. Pure methylpiperidine (**2**) was isolated via silica gel flash chromatography eluting with 5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂. MS m/z: (M+206)

Step 2

N-benzyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methylpiperidine:

To a flask containing chlorobenzene (10 mL, excess) and methylpiperidine (0.42 g, 2.06 mmol, **2**) was added aluminum trichloride (1.65 mL, 12.4 mmol). The reaction was heated to reflux for 24 hrs. Excess chlorobenzene was removed under

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reduced pressure and pure **3** was obtained via silica gel flash chromatography eluting with % EtOAc/hexane. MS m/z: (M+ 300)

Step 3

4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methylpiperidine: Fig. 8D

To a cold (0°C) solution of N-benzyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-
5 4-methylpiperidine (**3**) (0.41 g, 1.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ was 1.1
equivalent of 1-chloroethylchloroformate. The reaction was
then heated to reflux for 2 hrs. Excess solvent was removed
and the residue was brought up into methanol. The mixture
was refluxed for 2 hrs and excess methanol was removed under
10 reduced pressure. Precipitation of the hydrochloride salt **4**
by the addition of CH₂Cl₂ followed by filtration resulted in
the quantitative isolation of the desired crystalline product
4 (100%, 0.34 g). MS m/z: (M+ 210)

The product of this scheme can be used to prepare
15 compounds of Structural Formula (I) wherein R¹ is -CH₃.

Figures 9A shows the preparation of compounds represent
by Structural Formula (I) wherein R¹ is an amine. The azido
functionality can be reduced with a variety of reducing
agents such as triphenylphosphine, lithium aluminum hydride,
20 sodium borohydride, in a solvent such as tetrahydrofuran or
diethyl ether in reaction temperature ranges from 0°C to
reflux with a reaction time of between 5 minutes and 72
hours.

Figure 9B shows the preparation of compounds represent
25 by Structural Formula (I) wherein R¹ is
-CH₂NH₂. To a cold (0°C) stirred solution of cyano
containing molecule (0.50 g, 0.14 mmol) in a solvent such as
diethyl ether or THF (5 mL) can be added a reducing agent
such as lithium aluminum hydride (8 mg, 0.21 mmol). The
30 reaction can then be stirred at 0°C to reflux from 5 minutes
to 72 hrs. The reaction can then be quenched by the careful
addition of H₂O (0.21 mL), 15% aqueous KOH (0.21 mL). The
organic layer can then be separated and dried over Na₂SO₄.

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Pure amino compound can be obtained via silica gel flash chromatography.

Figure 9C shows the preparation of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(*N*-methyl)ethylamine.

Step 1

5 To a solution of AlCl_3 (1.96 g, 14.7 mmol) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL), Borane-*tert*-butyl amine complex (2.57 g, 29.6 mmol) was added at 0°C under argon protection, stirred for 10 minutes and clear solution was formed. 4-Chlorophenacyl bromide (**1**, 1.11 g, 4.91 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) was added to
10 the resulted mixture at 0°C. The reaction was stirred for 1.5 hours and then quenched by the addition of 0.1 N HCl (25 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (80 mL x 3), dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel (Hexane/EtOAc = 9:1) provided 0.85
15 g (84%) of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-bromoethylene (**2**). MS m/z : (M+ 219).

Step 2

A mixture of 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-bromoethylene (**2**, 1.02 g, 4.62 mmol), EtOH (3 mL) and H_2NMe in H_2O (6 mL, 40% w/w)
20 was heated at 135 0°C over night. The mixture was cooled down to room temperature. The mixture was extracted with Et_2O (5mL x 2), dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ = 9/1/0.1) provided 0.61 g 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(*N*-
25 methyl)ethylamine (**3**, 79%). MS m/z : (M+ 170).

Figure 9D shows the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxyl-3-methyl-1-*N*-methyaminopropane

Step 1

30 To 3,4'-Dichloropropylphenone (**1**, 1.10 g, 5.40 mmol) in anhydrous THF at 0°C under the protection of argon, was added MeMgBr (2.50 mL, 7.35 mmol) dropwise at 0°C. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for an additional hour. The

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reaction was quenched by adding saturated aqueous NH_4Cl . The reaction was then extracted with Et_2O (60 mL x 2), dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel (Hexane/ EtOAc = 10/1) provided 1.0 g (85%) of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-bromopropane (2). MS
5 m/z: (M^+ 219).

Step 2

A mixture of 3,3,3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-hydroxymethyl-1-bromopropane (2, 1.04 g, 4.74 mmol), EtOH (5 mL) and H_2NMe in H_2O (10 mL, 40% w/w) was heated at 135 $^\circ\text{C}$ for 3 hours. The
10 mixture was cooled down to room temperature. The mixture was extracted with Et_2O (5 mL x 2), dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{NH}_2\text{OH}$ = 9/1/0.1) provided 1.01 g 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxyl-3-methyl-1-N-methylaminopropane (3,
15 99%). MS m/z: (M^+ 214).

Figure 9E shows the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-N-methylaminopropane.

A mixture of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-bromopropane (1, 0.70 g, 3.73 mmol), EtOH (3 mL) and H_2NMe in H_2O (6 mL, 40% w/w)
20 was heated at 135 $^\circ\text{C}$ overnight. The mixture was then cooled down to room temperature. The mixture was extracted with Et_2O (5 mL x 2), dried over MgSO_4 and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}/\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$ = 9/1/0.1) provided 0.5 g (76%) of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-N-methylaminopropane (2). MS m/z: (M^+ 189).
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Figure 10A shows the preparation of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxyl-3-methyl-1-N-methylaminopropane.

Step 1

To 3,4'-Dichloropropylphenone (1, 1.10 g, 5.40 mmol) in
30 anhydrous THF at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$ under the protection of argon, was added MeMgBr (2.50 mL, 7.35 mmol) dropwise at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for an additional hour. The reaction was quenched by adding saturated aqueous NH_4Cl . The

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reaction was then extracted with Et₂O (60 mL x 2), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel (Hexane/EtOAc = 10/1) provided 1.0 g (85%) of 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxy-3-methyl-1-bromopropane (**2**). MS m/z: (M+ 219).

5 Step 2

A mixture of 3,3,3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-hydroxymethyl-1-bromopropane (**2**, 1.04 g, 4.74 mmol), EtOH (5 mL) and H₂NMe in H₂O (10 mL, 40% w/w) was heated at 135 °C for 3 hours. The mixture was cooled down to room temperature. The mixture was
10 extracted with Et₂O (5mL x 2), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic purification on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₂OH = 9/1/0.1) provided 1.01 g 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxyl-3-methyl-1-N-methylaminopropane (**3**, 99%). MS m/z: (M+ 214).

15 Figure 10b shows the preparation of 1-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,2-ethylenediamine

Step 1

tert-Butyl N-(2-aminoethyl) carbamate (**1**, 0.50 g, 3.12 mmol) was added to the mixture of 4-chlorobenzoic acid
20 chloride (0.547 g, 3.12 mmol) and Et₃N (1.74 mL, 12.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) under the protection of argon. Stirring at room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with H₂O (25 mL), extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL x 2), dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatographic
25 purification on silica gel (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 95/5) to provide 0.86 g (**2**, 93%) of the desired product tert-Butyl 3-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1-(2-aminoethyl) carbamate. MS m/z: (M+ 299).

Step 2

Trifluoroacetic acid (7.5 mL) was added to the solution of
30 tert-Butyl 3-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1-(2-aminoethyl)carbamate (**2**, 0.86 g, 2.89 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (35 mL) at 0°C. Stirring at room temperature for 30 minutes. Concentration in vacuo provided

0.88 g (95%) of the desired product 1-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,2-ethylenediamine (3). MS m/z: (M+ 199).

Compounds prepared according to the schemes presented in Figures 9C-9E, 10A and 10B can be used to prepare compounds represented by Structural Formula (XXVI).

5 Figure 10C shows three procedures for the preparation of compounds represented by Structural Formulas (I), (VII), (VIII) and (IX), wherein Z is represented by Structural Formula (III) and wherein Ring A or Ring B in Z is substituted with R⁴⁰. In Figure 10C, R⁴⁰ is represented by -
10 (O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)-NR²¹R²², u is one, t is zero.

In Figure 10C a compound containing a phenol can be reacted with a carbonate equivalent, such as a carbamoyl chloride (method A), an isocyanate (method B) or an acylimidazole (method C), in the presence of a base such as
15 sodium hydroxide, potassium carbonate or sodium carbonate in a solvent such as dimethylformamide or tetrahydrofuran, at a temperature from 0°C to reflux temperature for a period of about 5 minutes to about 72 hours.

Figure 12 shows the preparation of compounds represented
20 by Compound (XV-b). In Step 1 of Figure 12, a Grignard reaction can be carried out in a solvent such as ether, or tetrahydrofuran (THF) at 0°C up to the reflux temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h. Compound XIII is available commercially.

25 In Step 2 of Figure 1, bromination can be carried out with brominate agents such as hydrobromic acid, bromotrimethylsilane or boron tribromide-methyl sulfide complex in a solvent such as acetic acid, dichloromethane or dichloroethane at room temperature up to the reflux
30 temperature for the solvent used for 5 minutes to 72 h.

Figure 13 shows the preparation of compounds of formula (XV-c). The Friedel-Crafts acylation can be carried out using an acid chloride in the presence of a Lewis acid, such as aluminum trichloride or titanium tetrachloride, in a solvent

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such as dichloromethane, dichloroethane, nitrobenzene or carbon disulfide. The acylation reaction can be run at a temperature of about room temperature up to the reflux temperature of the chosen solvent, and for a period of about 5 minutes to about 72 hours.

5 Figure 14 shows the preparation of compounds of formula (XV-e). In Step 1 of Figure 13, a chlorosulfonylation can be carried out using chlorosulfonic acid in a solvent, such as dichloromethane, or in the absence of a solvent at a temperature of about 0°C to about 60°C for a period of about 5
10 minutes to about 72 hours. In Step 2 of Figure 12, a coupling reaction can be carried out using an amine in the presence of a base, such as triethylamine, in a solvent such as dichloromethane, acetone, ethanol, THF or DMF. The reaction can be carried out at a temperature of about room temperature
15 up to the reflux temperature of the selected solvent, and for a period of about 5 minutes to about 72 hours.

Although Figures 1-5 and 6-7 and 12-14 show the preparation of compounds in which Rings A and B are phenyl rings, analogous compounds with heteroaryl groups for Rings A
20 and B can be prepared by using the starting materials with heteroaryl groups in the corresponding positions, which can be prepared according to methods disclosed in JP 61/152673, U.S. Patent 5089496, WO 89/10369, WO 92/20681 and WO 93/02081.

The invention is illustrated by the following examples
25 which are not intended to be limiting in any way.

EXEMPLIFICATION

Example 1 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(5-cyano-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

To a solution of 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-
30 carbonitrile (described in J. Med Chem. 1994, 37, 804-810) (500mg) in DMF (10ml) were added 60% sodium hydride (110mg) and 1-bromo-3-chloropropane (0.30ml) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 hours. Water and ethyl

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acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure to give 5-(3-chloropropyl-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile.

- 5 Without purification, to a solution obtained chloride in DMF (10ml) were added 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine (650mg), potassium carbonate (950mg), and potassium iodide (50mg) and the mixture was stirred at 70°C for 24 hours. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture,
- 10 the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:1) to give the titled compound (700mg).
- 15 ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.22-1.34 (2H,m), 1.60-1.80 (3H,m), 1.93-1.99 (2H,m), 2.16-2.28 (6H,m), 2.56-2.60 (2H,m), 6.98 (2H,s), 7.25-7.47 (10H,m), 8.00-8.03 (2H,m). MS m/z: 469 (M+1)

Example 2 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(5-cyano-10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-

20 yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with 10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile, the titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:

- 25 1.43-1.49 (2H,m), 1.61-1.66 (2H,m), 1.93-2.02 (3H,m), 2.24-2.32 (4H,m), 2.48-2.62 (4H,m), 2.96-3.06 (2H,m), 3.35-3.45 (2H,m), 7.11-7.41 (10H,m), 7.93-7.97 (2H,m). MS m/z: 471 (M+1)

Example 3 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

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- Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with 6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled
- 35 compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.37-1.68 (5H,m),

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1.99-2.09 (2H,m) , 2.24-2.50 (5H,m) , 2.65-2.69 (2H,m) ,
2.78-2.85 (1H,m) , 5.03 (1H,d) , 5.45 (1H,d) , 7.02-7.43 (10H,m) ,
7.82-7.86 (1H,m) , 7.95-8.00 (1H,m) . MS m/z: 473 (M+1)

Example 4 - Preparation of 1-[3-(11-Cyano-6,11-
dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]-4-

5 (4-fluorophenyl)piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 3, but replacing
4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine with
4-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine, the titled compound
was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.40-1.68 (4H,m) ,

10 1.88-2.08 (3H,m) , 2.29-2.50 (5H,m) , 2.63-2.67 (2H,m) ,
2.77-2.84 (1H,m) , 5.03 (1H,d) , 5.44 (1H,d) , 6.95-7.46 (10H,m) ,
7.81-7.85 (1H,m) , 7.94-7.99 (1H,m) . MS m/z: 457 (M+1)

Example 5 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-
cyano-6,11-dihydro-2-fluorodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]pipe

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Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
6,11-dihydro-2-fluorodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile, the
titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:

20 1.37-1.69 (5H,m) , 1.98-2.09 (2H,m) , 2.25-2.48 (5H,m) ,
2.65-2.70 (2H,m) , 2.78-2.87 (1H,m) , 5.01 (1H,d) , 5.42 (1H,d) ,
6.99-7.11 (3H,m) , 7.25-7.43 (6H,m) , 7.54-7.59 (1H,m) ,
7.92-7.95 (1H,m) . MS m/z: 491 (M+1)

Example 6 - Preparation of 1-[3-(2-Bromo-11-cyano-6,11-
25 dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]-4-
(4-chlorophenyl)piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
2-bromo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile, the

30 titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:
1.37-1.69 (5H,m) , 1.97-2.09 (2H,m) , 2.24-2.48 (5H,m) ,

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2.66-2.85 (3H,m) , 5.00 (1H,d) , 5.43 (1H,d) , 6.97-7.02 (2H,m) ,
7.24-7.46 (7H,m) , 7.91-7.95 (2H,m) .

MS m/z: 551, 553 (M+1)

Example 7 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-
cyano-6,11-dihydro-2-methyldibenz[b,e]oxepin-

5 11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
6,11-dihydro-2-methyldibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile, the
titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:

10 1.40-1.70 (5H,m) , 1.98-2.09 (2H,m) , 2.25-2.52 (8H,m) ,
2.68-2.73 (2H,m) , 2.81-2.90 (1H,m) , 5.00 (1H,d) , 5.44 (1H,d) ,
6.98-7.43 (9H,m) , 7.63 (1H,d) , 7.94-7.98 (1H,m) . MS m/z:
487 (M+1)

Example 8 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-
15 cyano-3,4-dichloro-6,11-dihydro-dibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl
]piperidin- 4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
3,4-dichloro-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile,

20 the titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:
1.40-1.71 (5H,m) , 2.00-2.10 (2H,m) , 2.28-2.50 (5H,m) ,
2.65-2.85 (3H,m) , 5.04 (1H,d) , 5.46 (1H,d) , 6.99-7.03 (1H,m) ,
7.26-7.44 (7H,m) , 7.91-7.95 (2H,m) .
MS m/z: 541 (M+1)

25 Example 9 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11- cyano-
6,11-dihydro-2,3-methylenedioxydibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-
yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with

30 6,11-dihydro-2,3-
methylenedioxydibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled
compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.60-1.90 (5H,m) ,

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2.30-2.50 (2H,m), 2.80-3.30 (8H,m), 5.05 (1H,d), 5.45 (1H,d),
6.02 (2H,brd), 6.68 (1H,s), 6.97-7.01 (1H,m), 7.26-7.43 (7H,m),
7.83-7.87 (2H,m). MS m/z: 517 (M+1)

Example 10 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-

5 yl)propyl] piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled
compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.63-1.76 (5H,m),
10 2.03-2.16 (2H,m), 2.37-2.52 (4H,m), 2.72-2.85 (3H,m),
3.03-3.10 (1H,m), 4.10 (1H,d), 4.54 (1H,d), 7.13-7.44 (10H,m),
7.81-7.87 (2H,m). MS m/z: 489 (M+1)

Example 11 - Preparation of 1-[3-(11-Cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]-4-phenylpiperidin-4-o

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Following the procedure of example 10, but replacing
4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine with 4-hydroxy-4-
phenylpiperidine, the titled compound was prepared.

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.63-1.77 (5H,m), 2.02-2.16 (2H,m),
20 2.37-2.52 (4H,m), 2.72-2.85 (3H,m), 3.03-3.10 (1H,m), 4.10 (1H,d),
4.55 (1H,d), 7.13-7.52 (10H,m), 7.81-7.88 (2H,m). MS m/z:
455 (M+1)

Example 12 - Preparation of 4-(4-Bromophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4

25 -ol

Following the procedure of example 10, but replacing
4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine with
4-(4-bromophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine, the titled compound
was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.64-1.82 (5H,m),

30 2.02-2.12 (2H,m), 2.32-2.48 (4H,m), 2.69-2.85 (3H,m),
2.99-3.09 (1H,m), 4.07 (1H,d), 4.50 (1H,d), 7.11-7.46 (10H,m),
7.79-7.86 (2H,m). MS m/z: 533, 535 (M+1)

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Example 13 - Preparation of 1-[3-(2-Bromo-11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]-4-(4-chlorophenyl)piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with

5 2-bromo-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:
1.63-1.78 (5H,m), 2.03-2.14 (2H,m), 2.35-2.52 (4H,m),
2.72-2.80 (3H,m), 3.00-3.10 (1H,m), 4.15 (1H,brd), 4.50 (1H,d),
7.07-7.45 (10H,m), 7.73-7.81 (1H,m), 7.95 (1H,d). MS m/z: 567,
10 569 (M+1)

Example 14, 15 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydro-5-oxodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing
15 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with
6,11-dihydro-5-oxodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled compound was prepared. The diastereomers were separated by silica gel chromatography. isomer 1 ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:
1.20-1.35 (1H,m), 1.63-1.69 (4H,m), 2.04-2.84 (10H,m),
20 4.21 (1H,d), 4.31 (1H,d), 7.18-7.65 (9H,m), 8.03-8.13 (3H,m). MS
m/z: 505 (M+1) isomer 2 ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.25-1.38 (1H,m),
1.65-2.15 (6H,m), 2.28-2.82 (8H,m), 4.65 (1H,d), 4.82 (1H,d),
7.27-7.56 (9H,m), 7.92-8.00 (3H,m). MS m/z: 505 (M+1)

25 Example 16 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydro-5,5-dioxodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 1, but replacing 5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile with

30 6,11-dihydro-5,5-dioxodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-carbonitrile, the titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ:
1.40-2.72 (14H,m), 3.08-3.22 (1H,m), 4.58 (1H,d), 5.58 (1H,d),
7.29-7.58 (9H,m), 7.99-8.13 (3H,m). MS m/z: 521 (M+1)

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Example 17 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

To a solution of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol (430mg) in THF (10ml) was added 1M lithium aluminum hydride THF solution (1.5ml) and the mixture was heated to reflux for 3 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled with ice, water (0.06ml), then 15% aqueous sodium hydroxide (0.06ml), then water (0.18ml) were added carefully. The granular salt was filtered off and the filtrate was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:1) to give the titled compound (280mg).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.55-1.80 (4H,m), 2.03-2.16 (2H,m), 2.25-2.52 (6H,m), 2.72-2.80 (2H,m), 3.90 (1H,brs), 4.48 (1H,brt), 4.68 (1H,brs), 6.96-7.45 (12H,m). MS m/z: 464 (M+1)

Example 18 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 17, but replacing 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol with 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(5-cyano-10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol, the titled compound was prepared. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.40-1.58 (2H,m), 1.62-1.71 (2H,m), 1.98-2.20 (4H,m), 2.30-2.42 (4H,m), 2.67-2.78 (2H,m), 2.95-3.08 (2H,m), 3.30-3.44 (2H,m), 4.01 (1H,t), 7.10-7.46 (12H,m). MS m/z: 446 (M+1)

Example 19 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

Following the procedure of example 17, but replacing 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-

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dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol with 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol, the titled compound was prepared.

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.36-1.49(2H,m), 1.58-1.67(2H,m),
5 1.95-2.33(8H,m), 2.63-2.68(2H,m), 3.74(1H,t), 4.95(1H,d),
5.48(1H,d), 6.95-7.39(12H,m). MS m/z: 448(M+1)

Example 20 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(6,11-dihydro-11-iminomethyldibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol

10 To a solution of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-cyano-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol (1.92g) in dichloromethane (30ml) at -78°C was added 1M diisobutyl aluminum hydride dichloromethane solution (10ml). The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature, and
15 stirred for 30 minutes. Water and dichloromethane were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel
20 chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate to give the titled compound (1.16g).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.65-1.80(5H,m), 2.02-2.18(2H,m),
2.45-2.60(6H,m), 2.78-2.86(2H,m), 3.82(1H,d), 4.25(1H,d),
7.05-7.45(12H,m), 8.28(1H,brs). MS m/z: 491(M+1)

25 Example 21 - Preparation of

1-[3-(11-aminomethyl-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]-4-(4-chlorophenyl)piperidin-4-ol

To a solution of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(6,11-dihydro-11-iminodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl]piperidin-4-ol
30 (600mg) in methanol (15ml) was sodium borohydride (220mg), and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 hours. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic

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layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced to give the titled compound (600mg). MS m/z:493 (M+1)

Example 22 - Preparation of Phenyl N-[11-[3-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino)propyl]-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)methyl carbamate

To a solution of 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(11-aminomethyl-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)propyl] piperidin-4-ol (610mg) in THF (20ml) was triethylamine (0.2ml) and phenyl chlorocarbonate (0.16ml) at 0°C, and the mixture was stirred for 1 hours. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate to give the titled compound (400mg).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.40-2.90 (15H,m), 4.05-4.12 (2H,m), 4.38 (1H,d), 4.50-4.60 (1H,m), 5.98 (1H,brs), 6.96-7.54 (17H,m).

MS m/z: 613 (M+1)

Example 23 - Preparation of 1-[11-[3-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino)propyl]-6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)methyl-8-(3-hydroxypropyl)urea

To a solution phenyl N-[2-[3-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino]propyl]-2-(6,11-dihydrodibenzo[b,e]thiepin-11-yl)ethyl] carbamate (300mg) in DMF (10ml) were added 3-amino-1-propanol (70mg), potassium carbonate (130mg) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 hours. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-methanol (9:1) to give the titled compound (200mg).

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¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.40-1.70 (6H,m), 2.01-2.08 (2H,m),
2.30-2.63 (8H,m), 3.12 (2H,q), 3.42 (2H,t), 4.00-4.12 (2H,m),
4.22-4.28 (2H,m), 4.82 (1H,brt), 4.99 (1H,brs),
6.98-7.45 (12H,m). MS m/z: 594 (M+1)

5 Example 24 - Preparation of 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-yl)-3-propiony]piperidin-4-ol

To a solution 10,11-dihydro-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cycloheptene-5-carbonitrile (500mg) in THF (5ml)
10 was added 1.6M n-butyl lithium hexane solution (1.8ml) at 0°C. The mixture was warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 20 minutes. To the reaction mixture cooled to 0°C was added ethyl 3-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine-1-yl)propionate (310mg) dropwise as THF solution (2ml), and the mixture was
15 warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 30 minutes. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue
20 was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:1) to give the titled compound (380mg).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.57-1.62 (2H,m), 1.91-2.01 (3H,m),
2.27-2.84 (10H,m), 3.30-3.44 (2H,m), 4.65 (1H,s),
7.10-7.38 (12H,m).
25 MS m/z: 460 (M+1)

Examples 28 - 59 can be prepared by methods set forth in the schemes in Figure 1-5 and the procedures described above.

Example 60 - Membrane Preparations for Chemokine Binding and Binding Assays

30 Membranes were prepared from THP-1 cells (ATCC #TIB202). Cells were harvested by centrifugation, washed twice with PBS (phosphate-buffered saline), and the cell pellets were frozen at -70 to -85°C. The frozen pellet was thawed in ice-cold

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lysis buffer consisting of 5 mM HEPES (N-2-hydroxyethylpiperazine-N'-2-ethane-sulfonic acid) pH 7.5, 2 mM EDTA (ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid), 5 µg/ml each aprotinin, leupeptin, and chymostatin (protease inhibitors), and 100 µg/ml PMSF (phenyl methane sulfonyl fluoride - also a protease inhibitor), at a concentration of 1 to 5 x 10⁷ cells/ml. This procedure results in cell lysis. The suspension was mixed well to resuspend all of the frozen cell pellet. Nuclei and cell debris were removed by centrifugation of 400 x g for 10 minutes at 4°C. The supernatant was transferred to a fresh tube and the membrane fragments were collected by centrifugation at 25,000 x g for 30 minutes at 4°C. The supernatant was aspirated and the pellet was resuspended in freezing buffer consisting of 10 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 300 mM sucrose, 1µg/ml each aprotinin, leupeptin, and chymostatin, and 10 µg/ml PMSF (approximately 0.1 ml per each 10⁸ cells). All clumps were resolved using a minihomogenizer, and the total protein concentration was determined using a protein assay kit (Bio-Rad, Hercules, CA, cat #500-0002). The membrane solution was then aliquoted and frozen at -70 to -85°C until needed. Binding Assays utilized the membranes described above. Membrane protein (2 to 20 µg total membrane protein) was incubated with 0.1 to 0.2 nM ¹²⁵I-labeled RANTES or MIP-1α with or without unlabeled competitor (RANTES or MIP-1α) or various concentrations of compounds. The binding reactions were performed in 60 to 100 µl of a binding buffer consisting of 10 mM HEPES pH 7.2, 1 mM CaCl₂, 5 mM MgCl₂, and 0.5% BSA (bovine serum albumin), for 60 min at room temperature. The binding reactions were terminated by harvesting the membranes by rapid filtration through glass fiber filters (GF/B or GF/C, Packard) which were presoaked in 0.3% polyethyleneimine. The filters were rinsed with approximately 600 µl of binding buffer containing 0.5 M NaCl,

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dried, and the amount of bound radioactivity was determined by scintillation counting in a Topcount beta-plate counter.

The activities of test compounds are reported in the Table below as IC_{50} values or the inhibitor concentration required for 50% inhibition of specific binding in receptor
5 binding assays using ^{125}I -RANTES or $^{125}MIP-1\alpha$ as ligand and THP-1 cell membranes. Specific binding is defined as the total binding minus the non-specific binding; non-specific binding is the amount of cpm still detected in the presence of excess unlabeled RANTES or $^{125}MIP-1\alpha$.

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Table
BIOLOGICAL DATA

	Example	IC ₅₀ (μM)
	1	<1
	2	<1
5	3	<1
	4	<1
	5	<1
	6	<1
	7	<1
10	10	<1
	11	<100
	12	<1
	13	<1
	14	<1
15	15	<1
	16	<1
	17	<1
	18	<1
	19	<1
20	22	<1
	23	<10
	24	<1
	25	<1
	26	<1
25	27	<1

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Examples 61 can be prepared by methods set forth in the schemes in Figure 1-5 and the procedures described above.

Example 62 - 4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(5,11-dihydro-7-methoxypyrido[2,3-c][1]benzoxepin-5-propyl)piperidin-4-ol

Step 1

5 To a solution of 5,11-dihydro-7-methoxypyrido[2,3-c][1]benzoxepin-5-one (5.0g) in THF (50ml) was added 1.1M cyclopropylmagnesium bromide THF solution (25ml) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 30 minutes. Aqueous ammonium chloride and ethyl acetate
10 were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried with magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was filtered and washed with ethyl acetate-hexane (1: 2) to give 5-cyclopropyl-
15 5,11-dihydro-7-methoxypyrido[2,3-c][1]benzoxepin-5-ol (5.0g).

Step 2

To a solution of the product of step 1 (4.3g) in acetic acid (30ml) was added 48% aqueous HBr (25ml) at 10°C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature, and stirred
20 for 12 hours. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture and neutralized with dilute NaOH solution. The organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried over magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue
25 was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:4) to give 5-(3-bromopropylidene)-5,11-dihydro-7-methoxypyrido[2,3-c][1]benzoxepine (5.6g).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 2.74(2H,q), 3.46(2H,t), 3.78(3H,s),
5.25(2H,brs), 6.07(1H,t), 6.72-6.82(3H,m), 7.21-7.42(5H,m),
30 7.56(1H,dd), 8.45(1H,dd).

Step 3

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To a solution of the product of step 2 (160mg) in ethanol (3ml) and acetic acid (1ml) were added 10% Pd-C (79mg) was stirred under hydrogen (under a balloon) at room temperature for 24 hour. The mixture was filtered through the celite and distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified
5 by preparative thin layer chromatography eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:2) to give 5-(3-bromopropyl)-5,11-dihydro-7-methoxypyrido[2,3-c][1]benzoxepine (48mg).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.80-2.45(4H,m), 3.33-3.39(2H,m),
3.59(1h,dd), 3.77(3H,s), 4.98(1H,d), 5.44(1H,d), 6.70-
10 6.79(2H,m), 7.08-7.14(5H,m), 7.52(1H,dd), 8.41(1H,dd).

Step 4

To a solution the product of step 3 (45mg) in DMF (1ml) were added 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidine (54mg) and potassium carbonate (19mg) and the mixture was stirred at 50°C
15 for 1 hour. Water and ethyl acetate were added to the reaction mixture, the organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride, and dried with magnesium sulfate. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography eluting
20 with ethyl acetate-methanol (10:1) to give the titled compound (19mg).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.50(1H,brs), 1.67-1.72(2H,m), 2.00-
2.47(10H,m), 2.76-2.81(2H,m), 3.59(1H,dd), 3.77(3H,s),
4.97(1H,d), 5.43(1H,d), 6.72-6.78(2H,m), 7.06-7.13(2H,m),
25 7.26-7.44(4H,m), 7.52(1H,dd), 8.37(1H,dd).

MS m/z: 479(M+1)

Examples 63 - 417 can be prepared by methods set forth in the schemes in Figure 1-5, 6-7, 8A-8C, 9A-9E, 10A-10E and 12-14, and the procedures described above.

30 Those skilled in the art will be able to recognize, or be able to ascertain, using no more than routine experimentation, many equivalents to the specific embodiments

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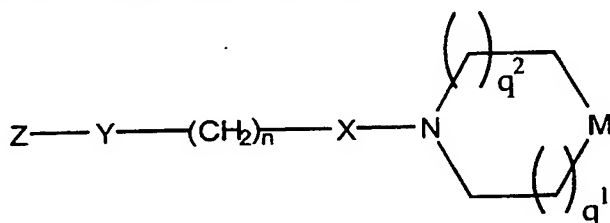
of the invention described herein. Such equivalents are intended to be encompassed by the following claims.

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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of treating a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation comprising administering to a subject an effective amount of a compound represented by the following structural formula:



and physiologically acceptable salts thereof,
wherein:

- Y is a single covalent bond;
n is an integer from one to about four;
X is a single covalent bond;
M is $>\text{NR}^2$, $>\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2$, $-\text{O}-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$;
The ring containing M is substituted or unsubstituted;
 q^1 is an integer, such as an integer from zero to about three;
 q^2 is an integer from zero to about one;
 R^1 is $-\text{H}$, $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{N}_3$, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, $-\text{O}-$ (aliphatic group), $-\text{O}-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{S}-$ (aliphatic group), $-\text{S}-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-$ (aliphatic group), $-\text{O}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$ (aliphatic group), $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-\text{COOH}$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{CO}-\text{NR}^3\text{R}^4$, $-\text{NR}^3\text{R}^4$ or R^1 is a covalent

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bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

R^2 is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, $-NR^5R^6$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group,

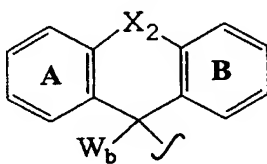
-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or

-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^1 and R^2 , R^3 and R^4 , or R^5 and R^6 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, $-CH_2-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-OR^{11}$, $-CH_2-NH-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-O-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $-CH_2-NHC(O)-O-R^{11}$;

R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

X_2 is $-S-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-S-$, $-CH_2-O-$, $-O-CH_2-$, $-CO-NR_c-$, $-NR_c-CO-$, $-CH_2-S(O)_2-$, $-S(O)_2-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-NR_c-$, $-NR_c-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-CH_2-$, $-CH=CH-$, $-CH_2-SO-$, $-SO-CH_2-$, $-O-$ or a bond;

R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted.

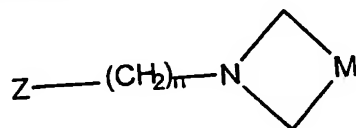
2. The method of Claim 1 wherein

R^1 is $-H$, $-OH$, $-N_3$, $-CN$, a halogen, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, $-O-(\text{aliphatic group})$, $-O-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$, $-NR^3R^4$ or R^1 is a covalent bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

R^2 is $-NR^5R^6$, a substituted acyl group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, $-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group})$; or

R^1 and R^2 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.

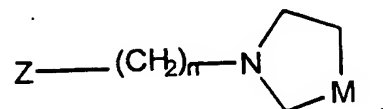
3. The method of Claim 1 wherein q^1 and q^2 are zero, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



4. The method of Claim 3 wherein M is $>CR^1R^2$.

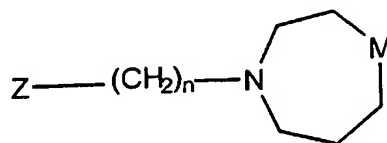
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5. The method of Claim 1 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is zero, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



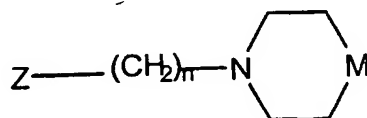
6. The method of Claim 5 wherein M is $>\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2$.

- 5 7. The method of Claim 1 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is two, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



8. The method of Claim 7 wherein M is $>\text{NR}^2$.

- 10 9. The method of Claim 1 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is two, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



10. The method of Claim 9 wherein M is $-\text{O}-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2-\text{O}-$.

11. The method of Claim 9 wherein:

M is $>\text{NR}^2$ or $>\text{CR}^1\text{R}^2$; and

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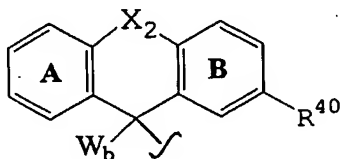
R^1 is a substituted aliphatic group or an aminoalkyl group.

12. The method of Claim 9 wherein:

M is $>NR^2$ or $>CR^1R^2$; and

5 R^2 is $-O-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group).

13. The method of Claim 1 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



10 wherein R^{40} is $-OH$, $-COOH$, $-NO_2$, halogen, aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, $-NR^{24}R^{25}$, $-CONR^{24}R^{25}$, Q -(aliphatic group), Q -(substituted aliphatic group), $-O$ -(aliphatic group), $-O$ -(substituted aliphatic group), $-O$ -(aromatic group), $-O$ -(substituted aromatic group), an electron withdrawing group,

15 $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)OR^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-OC(O)R^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-NHC(O)O-R^{20}$;

20 R^{20} , R^{21} and R^{22} are independently $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

25 R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

Q is $-NR^{24}C(O)-$, $-NR^{24}S(O)_2-$ or $-C(O)O-$;

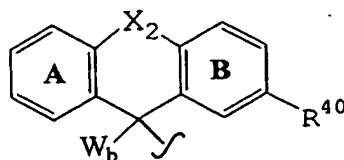
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R^{24} and R^{25} are independently -H, -OH, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group;

u is zero or one; and

t is an integer from zero to about 3.

14. The method of Claim 13 wherein R^{40} is represented by
 5 $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$.
15. The method of Claim 14 wherein u is zero and t one to about three.
16. The method of Claim 14 wherein u is one and t is zero.
17. The method of Claim 14 wherein u and t are both zero.
- 10 18. The method of Claim 13 wherein R^{40} is a aliphatic group that is substituted with $-NR^{24}R^{25}$ or $-CONR^{24}R^{25}$.
19. The method of Claim 13 wherein R^{40} is -O-(aliphatic group) or -O-(substituted aliphatic group).
20. The method of Claim 13 wherein R^{40} is -COOH.
- 15 21. The method of Claim 1 wherein X_1 is $-CH_2-O-$.
22. The method of Claim 1 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



20 wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$,

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$-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

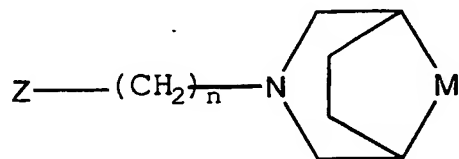
5 R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

10 R^{26} is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, $-C(O)-O-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), $-C(O)-O-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), $-S(O)_2-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), $-S(O)_2-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

15 R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

20 23. A method of treating a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation, comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound represented by the following structural formula:

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and physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

n is an integer from one to about four;

M is $>NR^2$, $>CR^1R^2$, $-O-CR^1R^2-O-$ or $-CH_2-CR^1R^2-O-$;

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The ring containing M is substituted or unsubstituted;

R^1 is -H, -OH, $-N_3$, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, -O-(aliphatic group), -O-(substituted aliphatic group), -SH, -S-(aliphatic group), -S-(substituted aliphatic group), -OC(O)-(aliphatic group), -O-C(O)-(substituted aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(substituted aliphatic group), -COOH, -CN, -CO-NR³R⁴, -NR³R⁴ or R^1 is a covalent bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

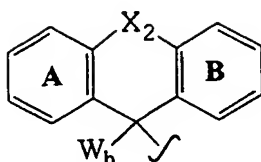
R^2 is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, -NR⁵R⁶, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^1 and R^2 , R^3 and R^4 , or R^5 and R^6 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:

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wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹,
-CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹;

R¹¹ and R¹² are independently -H, an aliphatic group,
a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a
substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic
heterocyclic group; or

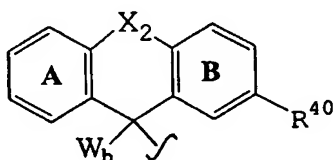
R¹¹ and R¹², taken together with the nitrogen atom to
which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic
ring;

X_2 is -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂-,
-CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-, -CH₂-
NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-, -
O- or a bond;

R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted
aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted
aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl
group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or
unsubstituted.

24. The method of Claim 23 wherein ring B is substituted
para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X₁
in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural
formula:



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wherein R^{40} is -OH, -COOH, -NO₂, halogen, aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, -NR²⁴R²⁵, -CONR²⁴R²⁵, Q-(aliphatic group), Q-(substituted aliphatic group), -O-(aliphatic group), -O-(substituted aliphatic group), -O-(aromatic group), -O-(substituted aromatic group), an electron withdrawing group, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)OR²⁰, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-OC(O)R²⁰, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)-NR²¹R²² or -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-NHC(O)O-R²⁰;

10 R^{20} , R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

15 R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

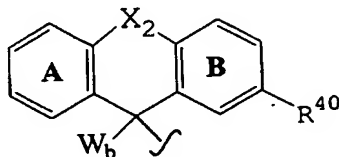
Q is -NR²⁴C(O)-, -NR²⁴S(O)₂- or -C(O)O-;

R^{24} and R^{25} are independently -H, -OH, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group;

20 u is zero or one; and

t is an integer from zero to about 3.

25. The method of Claim 23 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X₂ in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



wherein R^{40} is -C(=NR⁶⁰)NR²¹R²², -O-C(O)-NR²¹R²⁶, -S(O)₂-NR²¹R²² or -N-C(O)-NR²¹R²²; wherein

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R²¹ and R²² are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

5 R²¹ and R²², taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

10 R²⁶ is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

15 R²⁶ and R²¹, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

20 26. A method of treating a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation, comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound represented by the following structural formula:

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$$Z-Y-(CH_2)_n-X-NR^{50}R^{51}$$

and physiologically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

Y is a single covalent bond;

n is an integer from one to about four;

X is a covalent bond;

30 R⁵⁰ and R⁵¹ are each, independently, -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl

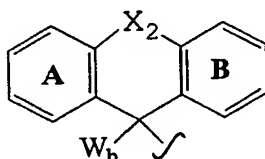
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group, $-NR^3R^4$, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a covalent bond between the nitrogen atom and an adjacent carbon atom;

5 R^3 and R^4 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group;
10 or

R^3 and R^4 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

15 Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, $-CH_2-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-OR^{11}$, $-CH_2-NH-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-O-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $-CH_2-NHC(O)-O-R^{11}$;

20 R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

25 R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

X_2 is -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂-, -CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-, -CH₂-NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-, -O- or a bond;

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R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group; and

5 Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted.

27. The method of Claim 26 wherein

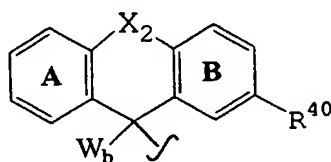
R^{50} is a substituted aliphatic group; and

R^{51} is -H, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group.

10 28. The method of Claim 27 wherein R^{50} is an aliphatic group that is substituted with an aromatic group.

29. The method of Claim 27 wherein R^{50} is a aliphatic group that is substituted with a 4-chlorophenyl group.

15 30. The method of Claim 26 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



20 wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$, $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

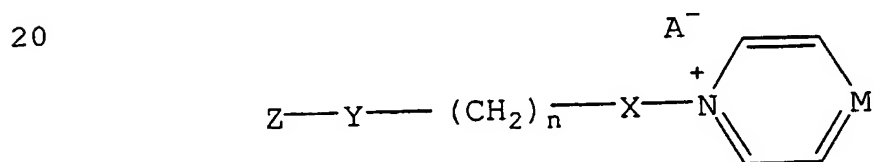
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R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

5 R^{26} is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

10 R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

15 31. A method of treating a disease associated with aberrant leukocyte recruitment and/or activation, comprising administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound represented by the following structural formula:



and physiologically acceptable salts thereof,
wherein:

Y is a single covalent bond;
n is an integer from one to about four;
25 X is a single covalent bond;
A⁻ is a physiologically acceptable anion;
M is >NR² or >CR²;

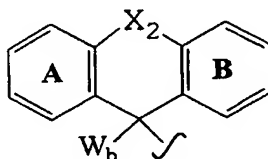
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R² is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, -NR⁵R⁶, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R³, R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R¹ and R², R³ and R⁴, or R⁵ and R⁶ taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹, -CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹;

R¹¹ and R¹² are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R¹¹ and R¹², taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

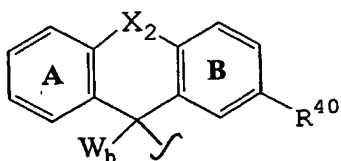
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X_2 is $-S-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-S-$, $-CH_2-O-$, $-O-CH_2-$,
 $-CO-NR_c-$, $-NR_c-CO-$, $-CH_2-S(O)_2-$, $-S(O)_2-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-$
 NR_c- , $-NR_c-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-CH_2-$, $-CH=CH-$, $-CH_2-SO-$, $-SO-CH_2-$,
 $O-$ or a bond;

5 R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted
 aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted
 aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl
 group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or
 unsubstituted.

10 32. The method of Claim 31 wherein ring B is substituted
 para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2
 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural
 formula:



15 wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$,
 $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

R^{21} and R^{22} are independently $-H$, an aliphatic
 group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic
 group, a substituted aromatic group or a
 20 non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to
 which they are bonded, form a substituted or
 unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

25 R^{26} is $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted
 aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted
 aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group,
 $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic}$
 $\text{group})$, $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted}$
 $\text{aromatic group})$, $-S(O)_2-(\text{substituted or}$

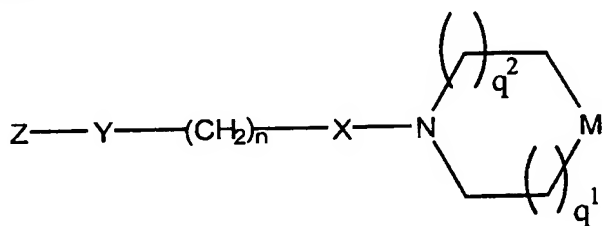
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unsubstituted aliphatic group), $-S(O)_2-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

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33. A compound represented by the following structural formula:



or physiologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

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Y is a single covalent bond;

n is an integer from one to about four;

X is a single covalent bond;

M is $>NR^2$, $>CR^1R^2$, $-O-CR^1R^2-O-$ or $-CH_2-CR^1R^2-O-$;

The ring containing M is substituted or

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unsubstituted;

q^1 is an integer, such as an integer from zero to about three;

q^2 is an integer from zero to about one;

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R^1 is $-H$, $-OH$, $-N_3$, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, $-O-$ (aliphatic group), $-O-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-SH$, $-S-$ (aliphatic group), $-S-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-OC(O)-$ (aliphatic group), $-O-C(O)-$ (substituted aliphatic group),

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$-C(O)O-$ (aliphatic group), $-C(O)O-$ (substituted aliphatic group), $-COOH$, $-CN$, $-CO-NR^3R^4$, $-NR^3R^4$ or R^1 is a covalent

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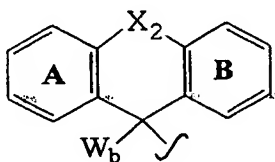
bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

R^2 is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, $-NR^5R^6$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^1 and R^2 , R^3 and R^4 , or R^5 and R^6 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, $-CH_2-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-OR^{11}$, $-CH_2-NH-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$, $-CH_2-O-CO-NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $-CH_2-NHC(O)-O-R^{11}$;

R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

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R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

X_2 is $-S-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-S-$, $-CH_2-O-$, $-O-CH_2-$,
 $-CO-NR_c-$, $-NR_c-CO-$, $-CH_2-S(O)_2-$, $-S(O)_2-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-$
 5 NR_c- , $-NR_c-CH_2-$, $-CH_2-CH_2-$, $-CH=CH-$, $-CH_2-SO-$, $-SO-CH_2-$, $-O-$ or a bond;

R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl
 10 group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted.

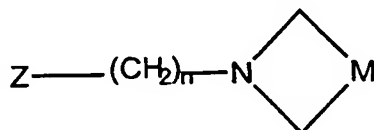
34. The compound of Claim 33 wherein

R^1 is $-H$, $-OH$, $-N_3$, $-CN$, a halogen, a substituted
 15 aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, $-O-(\text{aliphatic group})$, $-O-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$, $-NR^3R^4$ or R^1 is a covalent bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

R^2 is $-NR^5R^6$, a substituted acyl group, an aromatic
 20 group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, $-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group})$; or

R^1 and R^2 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-
 25 aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring.

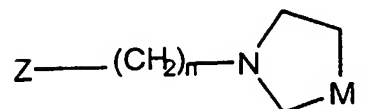
35. The compound of Claim 33 wherein q^1 and q^2 are zero, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



36. The compound of Claim 35 wherein M is $>CR^1R^2$.

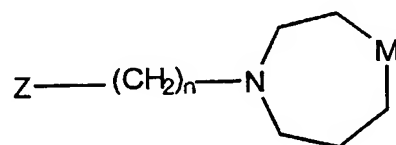
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37. The compound of Claim 33 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is zero, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



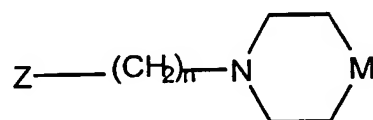
38. The compound of Claim 37 wherein M is $>CR^1R^2$.

- 5 39. The compound of Claim 33 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is two, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



40. The compound of Claim 39 wherein M is $>NR^2$.

- 10 41. The compound of Claim 33 wherein q^1 is one and q^2 is two, and the compound is represented by the structural formula:



- 15 42. The compound of Claim 41 wherein M is $-O-CR^1R^2-O-$ or $-CH_2-CR^1R^2-O-$.

43. The compound of Claim 41 wherein:
M is $>NR^2$ or $>CR^1R^2$; and

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R^1 is a substituted aliphatic group or an aminoalkyl group.

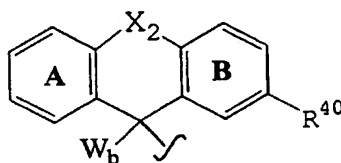
44. The compound of Claim 41 wherein:

M is $>NR^2$ or $>CR^1R^2$; and

5 R^2 is $-O-$ (substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group).

45. The compound of Claim 33 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:

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wherein R^{40} is $-OH$, $-COOH$, $-NO_2$, halogen, aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, $-NR^{24}R^{25}$, $-CONR^{24}R^{25}$, Q -(aliphatic group), Q -(substituted aliphatic group), $-O$ -(aliphatic group), $-O$ -(substituted aliphatic group), $-O$ -(aromatic group), $-O$ -(substituted aromatic group), an electron withdrawing group, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)OR^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-OC(O)R^{20}$, $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-(O)_u-(CH_2)_t-NHC(O)O-R^{20}$;

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R^{20} , R^{21} and R^{22} are independently $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

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R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

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Q is $-\text{NR}^{24}\text{C}(\text{O})-$ or $-\text{NR}^{24}\text{S}(\text{O})_2-$;

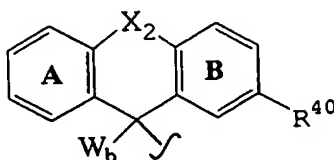
R^{24} and R^{25} are independently $-\text{H}$, $-\text{OH}$, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group;

u is zero or one; and

t is an integer from zero to about 3.

- 5 46. The compound of Claim 45 wherein R^{40} is represented by $-(\text{O})_u-(\text{CH}_2)_t-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{NR}^{21}\text{R}^{22}$.
47. The compound of Claim 46 wherein u is zero and t one to about three.
48. The compound of Claim 46 wherein u is one and t is zero.
- 10 49. The compound of Claim 46 wherein u and t are both zero.
50. The compound of Claim 45 wherein R^{40} is a aliphatic group that is substituted with $-\text{NR}^{24}\text{R}^{25}$ or $-\text{CONR}^{24}\text{R}^{25}$.
51. The compound of Claim 45 wherein R^{40} is $-\text{O}-(\text{aliphatic group})$ or $-\text{O}-(\text{substituted aliphatic group})$.
- 15 52. The compound of Claim 45 wherein R^{40} is $-\text{COOH}$.
53. The compound of Claim 33 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:

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wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$,
 $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic
 group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic
 group, a substituted aromatic group or a
 non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

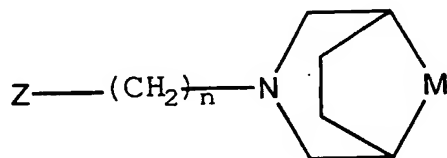
R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to
 which they are bonded, form a substituted or
 unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

R^{26} is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted
 aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted
 aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group,
 $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic}$
 $\text{group})$, $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted}$
 $\text{aromatic group})$, $-S(O)_2-(\text{substituted or}$
 $\text{unsubstituted aliphatic group})$, $-S(O)_2-(\text{substituted}$
 $\text{or unsubstituted aromatic group})$; or

R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen
 atom to which they are bonded, can form a
 substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic
 heterocyclic ring.

54. The compound of Claim 33 wherein X_1 is $-\text{CH}_2-\text{O}-$.

55. A compound represented by the following structural
 formula:



25 or physiologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

n is an integer from one to about four;

M is $>NR^2$, $>CR^1R^2$, $-O-CR^1R^2-O-$ or $-\text{CH}_2-CR^1R^2-O-$;

The ring containing M is substituted or unsubstituted;

R¹ is -H, -OH, -N₃, a halogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, -O-(aliphatic group), -O-(substituted aliphatic group), -SH, -S-(aliphatic group), -S-(substituted aliphatic group), -OC(O)-(aliphatic group), -O-C(O)-(substituted aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(aliphatic group), -C(O)O-(substituted aliphatic group), -COOH, -CN, -CO-NR³R⁴, -NR³R⁴ or R¹ is a covalent bond between the ring atom at M and an adjacent carbon atom in the ring which contains M;

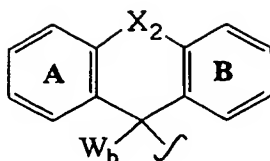
R² is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, -NR⁵R⁶, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R³, R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R¹ and R², R³ and R⁴, or R⁵ and R⁶ taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:

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wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹,
-CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹;

R¹¹ and R¹² are independently -H, an aliphatic group,
5 a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a
substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic
heterocyclic group; or

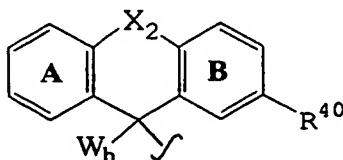
R¹¹ and R¹², taken together with the nitrogen atom to
which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic
10 ring;

X_2 is -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂-,
-CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-, -CH₂-
NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-, -
O- or a bond;

R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted
15 aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted
aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl
group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or
20 unsubstituted.

56. The compound of Claim 55 wherein ring B is substituted
para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X₁
in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural
formula:



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wherein R^{40} is -OH, -COOH, -NO₂, halogen, aliphatic group, substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, -NR²⁴R²⁵, -CONR²⁴R²⁵, Q-(aliphatic group), Q-(substituted aliphatic group), -O-(aliphatic group), -O-(substituted aliphatic group), -O-(aromatic group), -O-(substituted aromatic group), an electron withdrawing group, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)OR²⁰, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-OC(O)R²⁰, -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-C(O)-NR²¹R²² or -(O)_u-(CH₂)_t-NHC(O)O-R²⁰;

R²⁰, R²¹ and R²² are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R²¹ and R²², taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

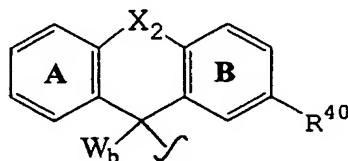
Q is -NR²⁴C(O)-, -NR²⁴S(O)₂- or -C(O)O-;

R²⁴ and R²⁵ are independently -H, -OH, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group;

u is zero or one; and

t is an integer from zero to about 3.

57. The compound of Claim 56 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X₂ in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



wherein R^{40} is -C(=NR⁶⁰)NR²¹R²², -O-C(O)-NR²¹R²⁶, -S(O)₂-NR²¹R²² or -N-C(O)-NR²¹R²²; wherein

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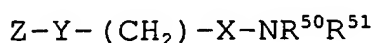
R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

5 R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

10 R^{26} is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

15 R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

20 58. A compound represented by the following structural formula:



or physiologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

25 Y is a single covalent bond;
n is an integer from one to about four;
X is a covalent bond;

30 R^{50} and R^{51} are each, independently, -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aminoalkyl group, -NR³R⁴, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-

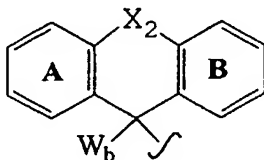
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aromatic heterocyclic group or a covalent bond between the nitrogen atom and an adjacent carbon atom;

R^3 and R^4 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^3 and R^4 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹, -CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹;

R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

X_2 is -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂-, -CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-, -CH₂-NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-, -O- or a bond;

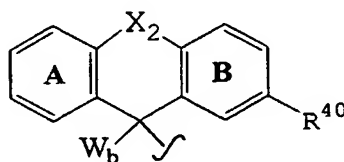
R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted

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aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted.

59. The compound of Claim 58 wherein
- 5 R^{50} is a substituted aliphatic group; and
- R^{51} is -H, an aliphatic group or a substituted aliphatic group.
60. The compound of Claim 59 wherein R^{50} is an aliphatic group that is substituted with an aromatic group.
- 10 61. The compound of Claim 59 wherein R^{50} is a aliphatic group that is substituted with a 4-chlorophenyl group.
62. The compound of Claim 58 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural
- 15 formula:



wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$, $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

20 R^{21} and R^{22} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

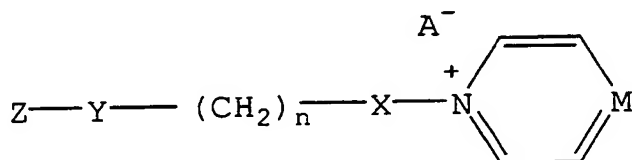
25 R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

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R^{26} is -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -C(O)-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group), -S(O)₂-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group); or

R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring.

63. A compound represented by the following structural formula:



or physiologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein:

Y is a single covalent bond;

n is an integer from one to about four;

X is a single covalent bond;

A^- is a physiologically acceptable anion;

M is $>NR^2$ or $>CR^2$;

R^2 is -H, -OH, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, $-NR^5R^6$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group, -O-(substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group) or

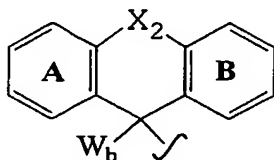
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-O-(substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group);

R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6 are independently -H, an acyl group, a substituted acyl group, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a benzyl group, a substituted benzyl group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group or a substituted non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^1 and R^2 , R^3 and R^4 , or R^5 and R^6 taken together with the atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic carbocyclic or heterocyclic ring;

Z is represented by:



wherein:

W_b is -H, -CH=NH, -CN, -CH₂-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-OR¹¹, -CH₂-NH-CO-NR¹¹R¹², -CH₂-O-CO-NR¹¹R¹² or -CH₂-NHC(O)-O-R¹¹;

R^{11} and R^{12} are independently -H, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^{11} and R^{12} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

X_2 is -S-CH₂-, -CH₂-S-, -CH₂-O-, -O-CH₂-, -CO-NR_c-, -NR_c-CO-, -CH₂-S(O)₂-, -S(O)₂-CH₂-, -CH₂-NR_c-, -NR_c-CH₂-, -CH₂-CH₂-, -CH=CH-, -CH₂-SO-, -SO-CH₂-, -O- or a bond;

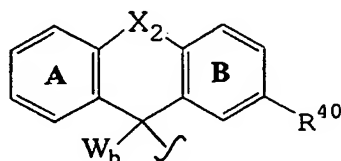
R_c is hydrogen, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted

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aromatic group, a benzyl group or a substituted benzyl group; and

Ring A and Ring B are independently substituted or unsubstituted.

64. The compound of Claim 63 wherein ring B is substituted para to the carbon atom of ring B that is bonded to X_2 in ring C, and Z is represented by the structural formula:



wherein R^{40} is $-C(=NR^{60})NR^{21}R^{22}$, $-O-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{26}$, $-S(O)_2-NR^{21}R^{22}$ or $-N-C(O)-NR^{21}R^{22}$; wherein

R^{21} and R^{22} are independently $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group or a non-aromatic heterocyclic group; or

R^{21} and R^{22} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, form a substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic heterocyclic ring;

R^{26} is $-H$, an aliphatic group, a substituted aliphatic group, an aromatic group, a substituted aromatic group, a non-aromatic heterocyclic group, $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group})$, $-C(O)-O-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group})$, $-S(O)_2-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aliphatic group})$, $-S(O)_2-(\text{substituted or unsubstituted aromatic group})$; or

R^{26} and R^{21} , taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, can form a

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substituted or unsubstituted non-aromatic
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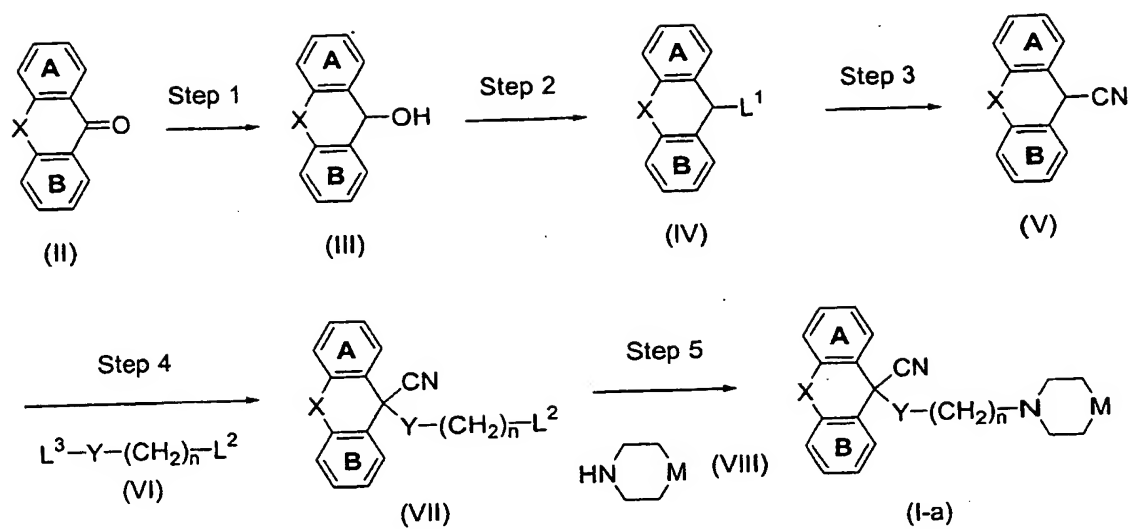


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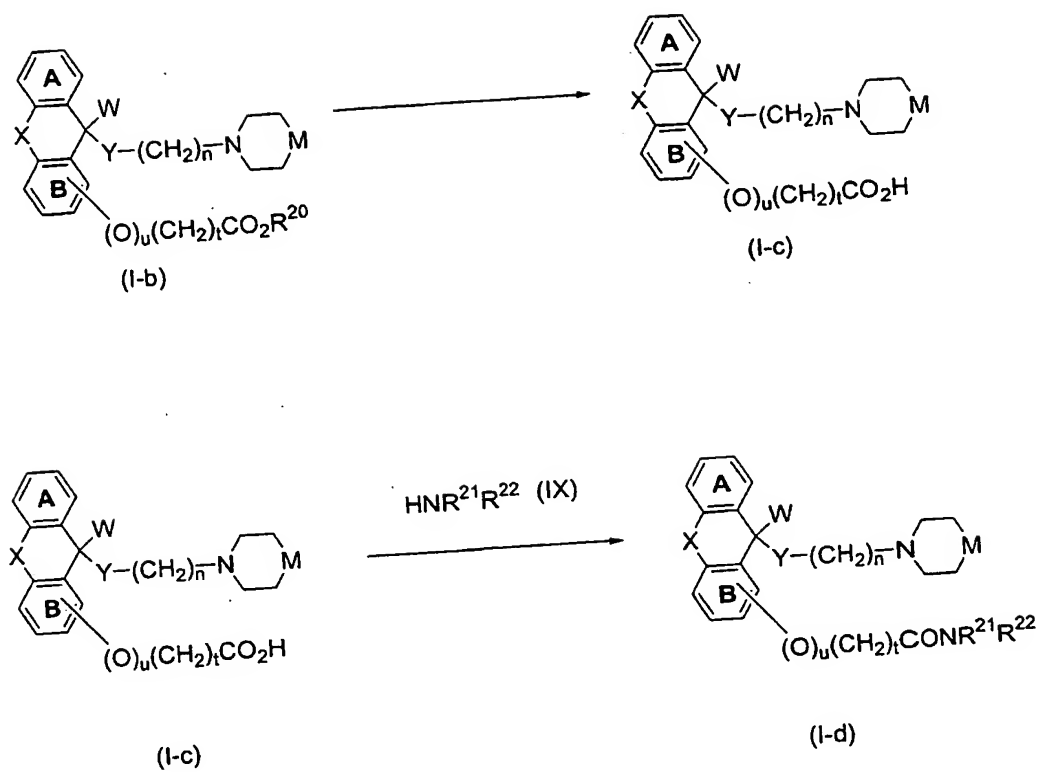


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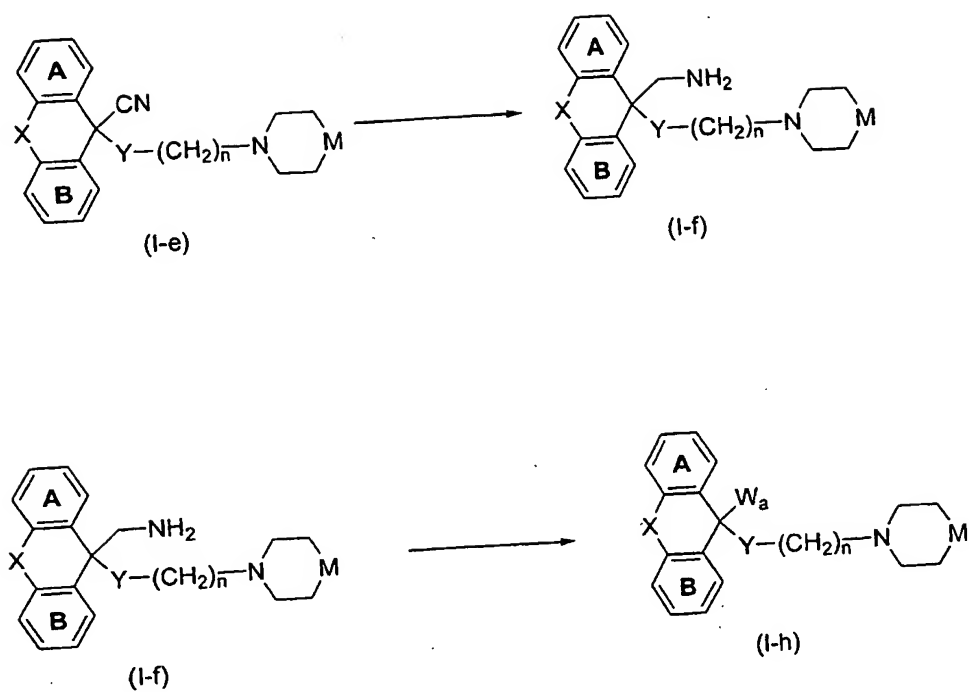


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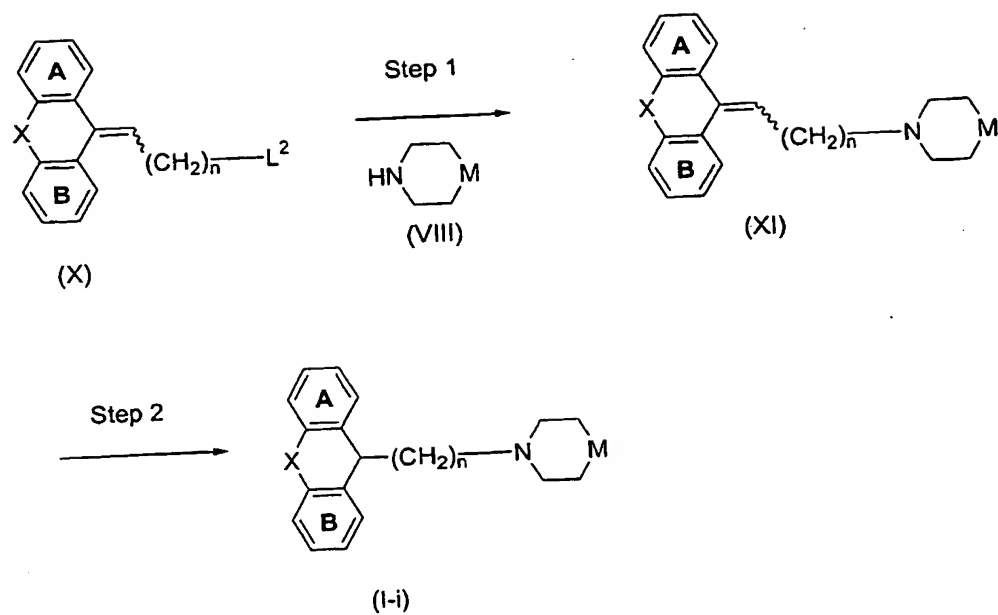


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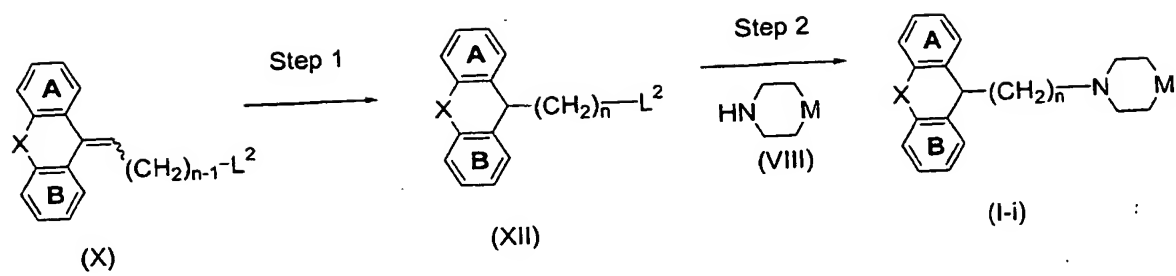


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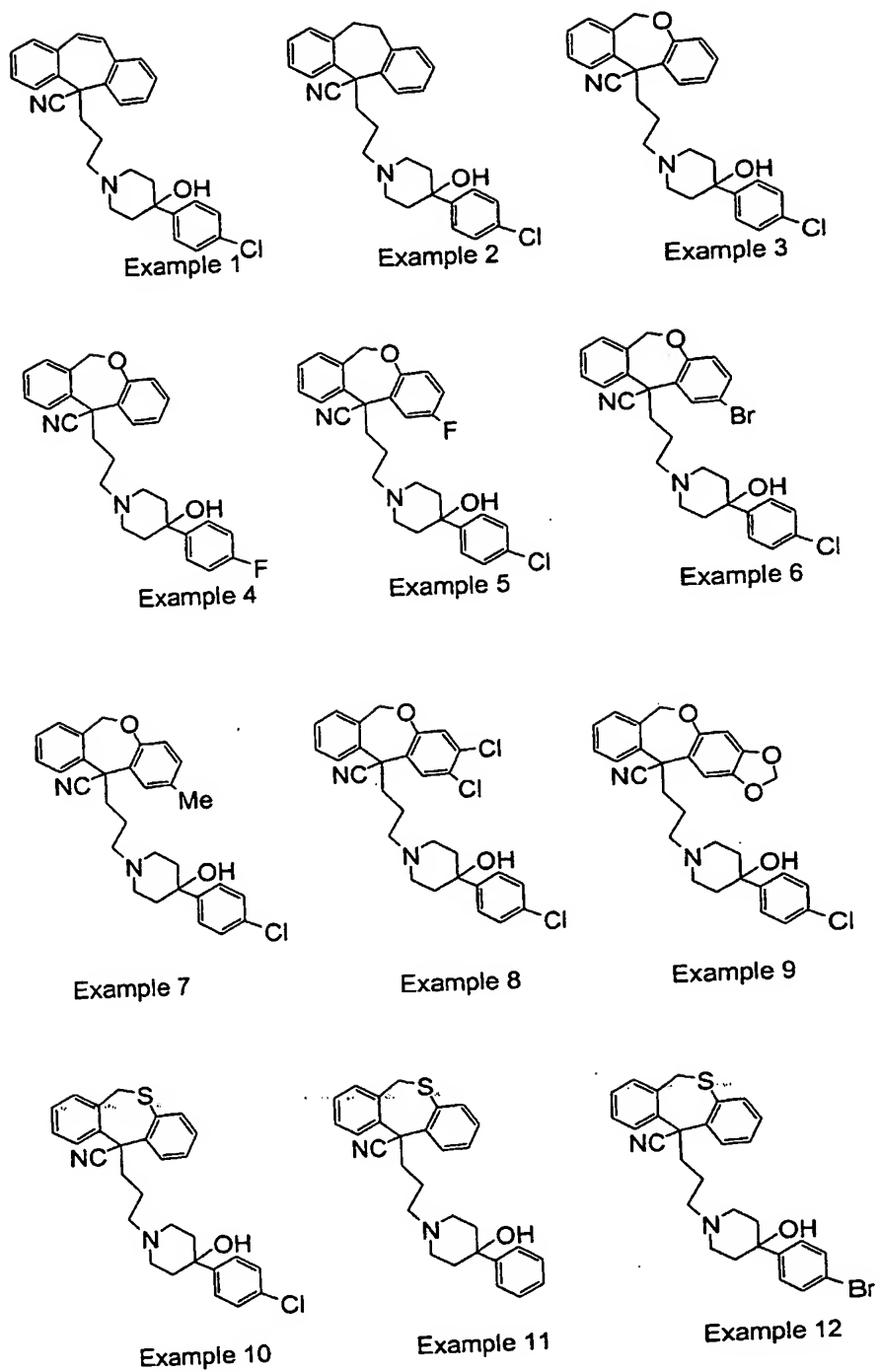


Figure 6A

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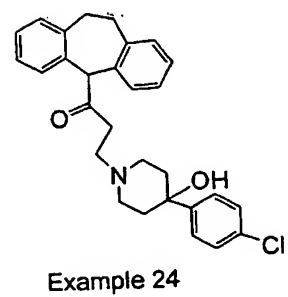
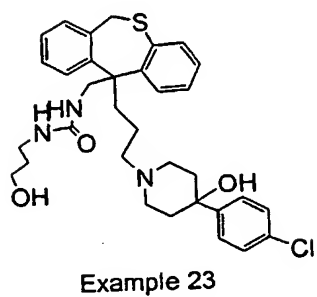
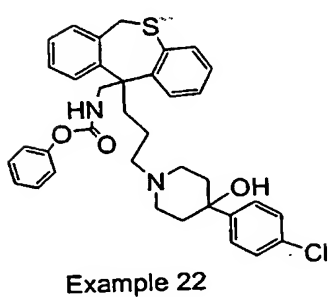
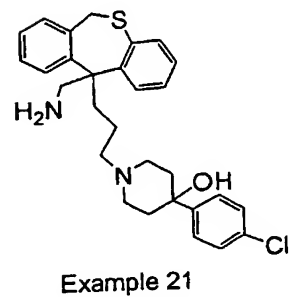
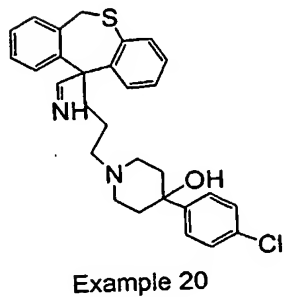
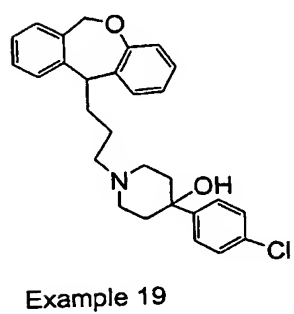
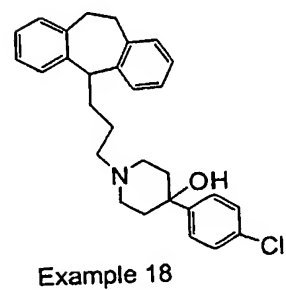
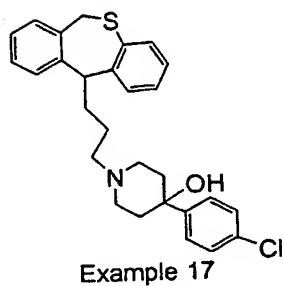
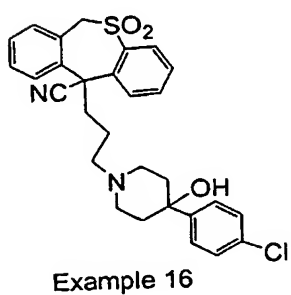
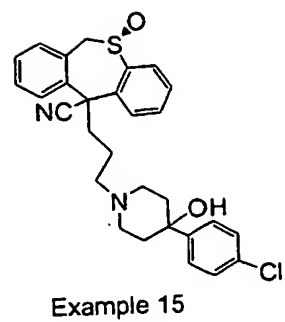
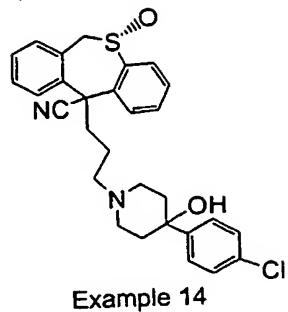
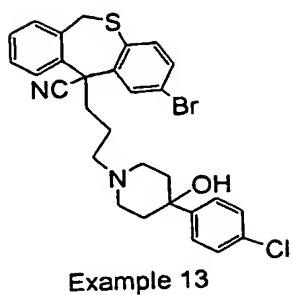
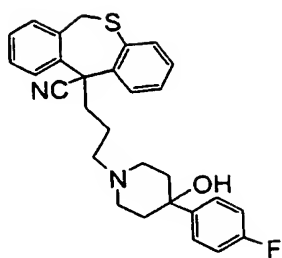
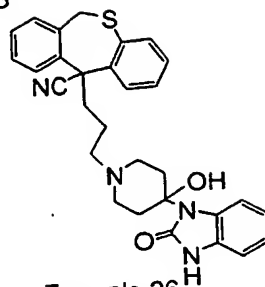


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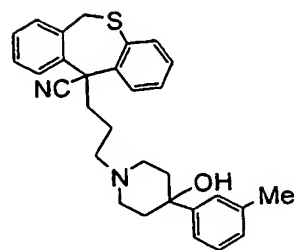
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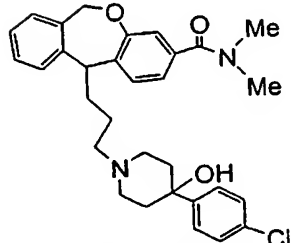
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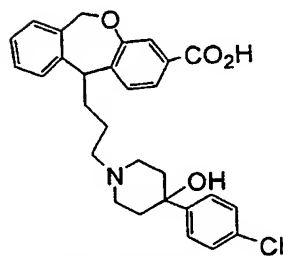
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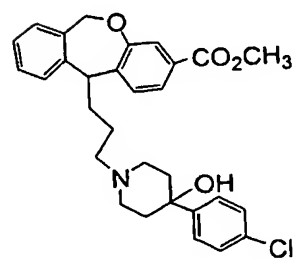
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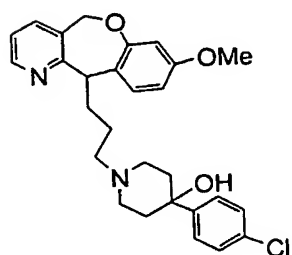
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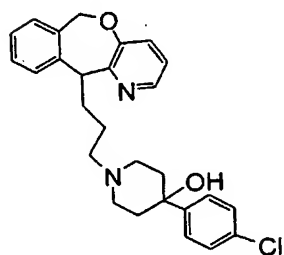
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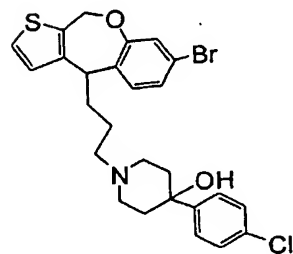
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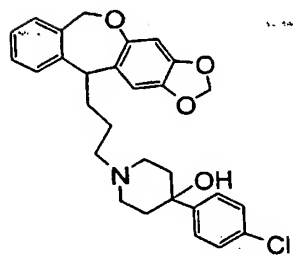
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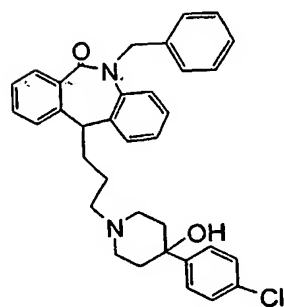
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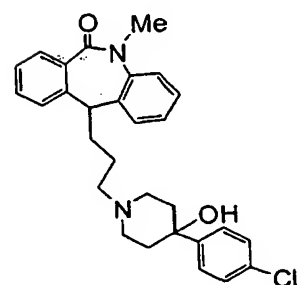
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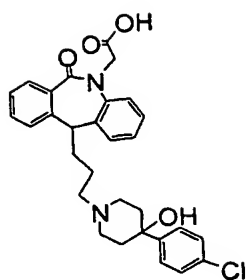
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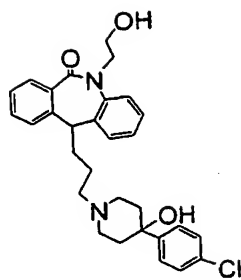
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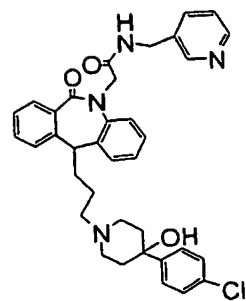
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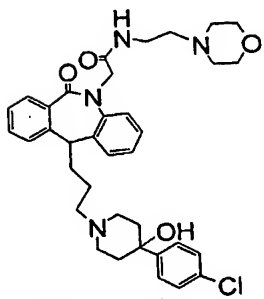
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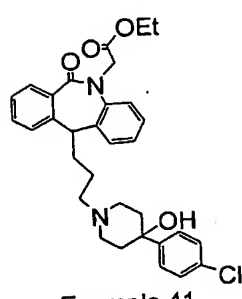
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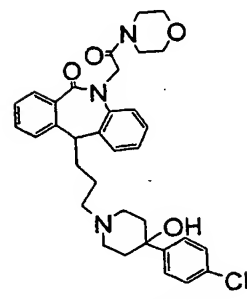
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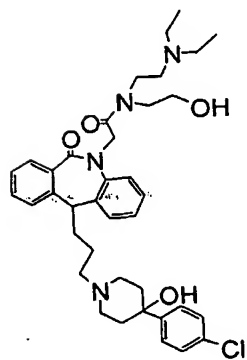
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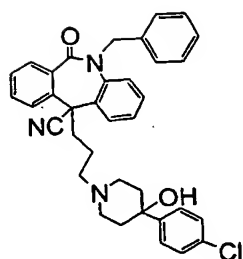
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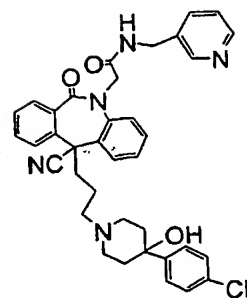
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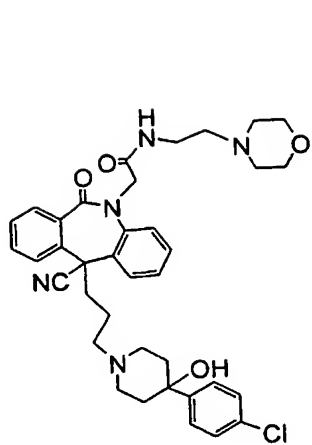
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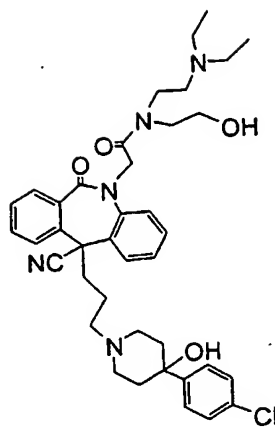
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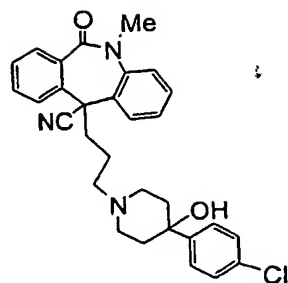
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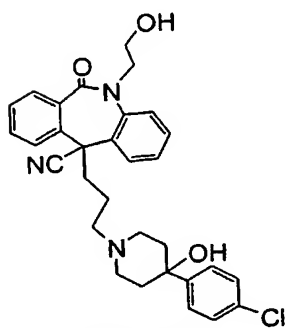
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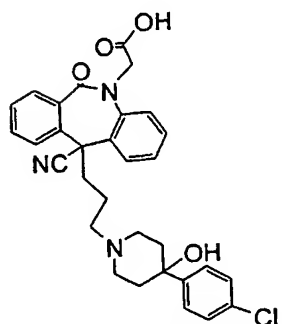
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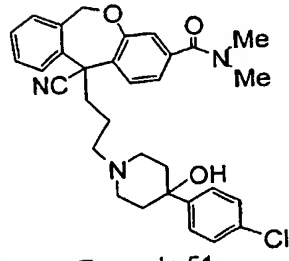
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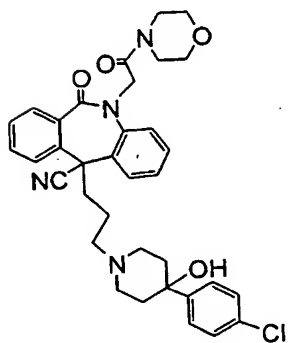
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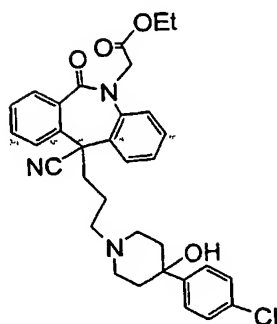
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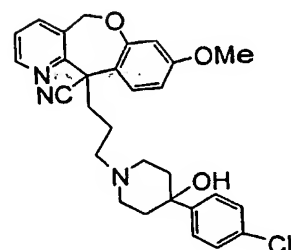
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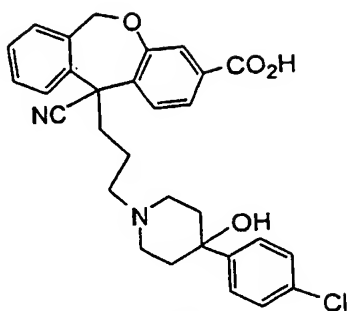
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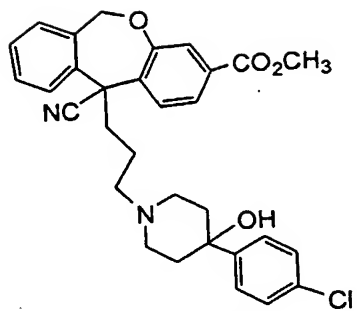
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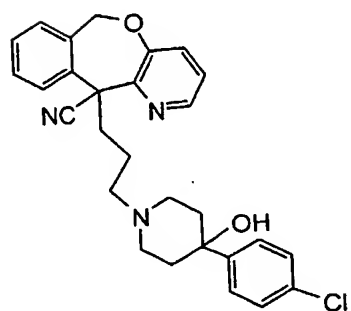
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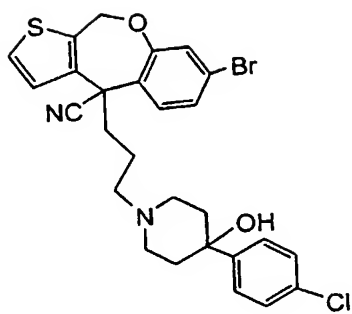
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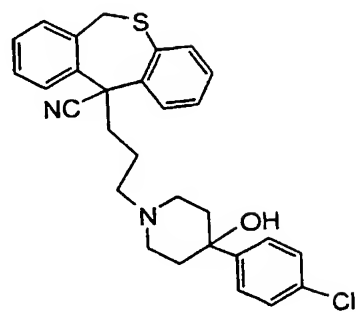
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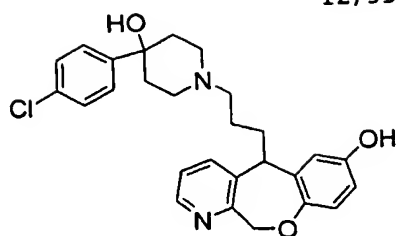
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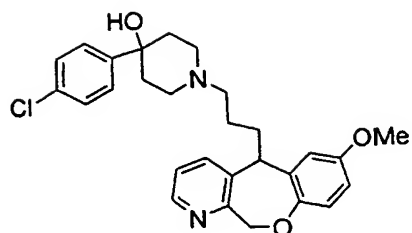
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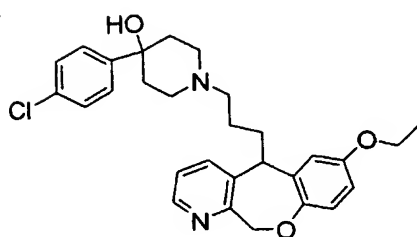
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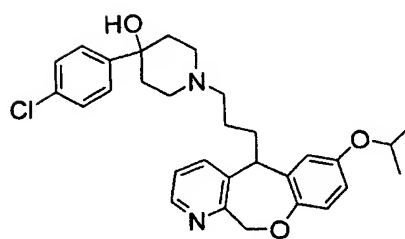
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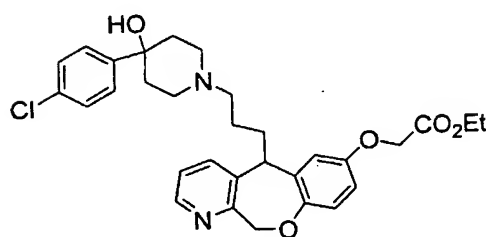
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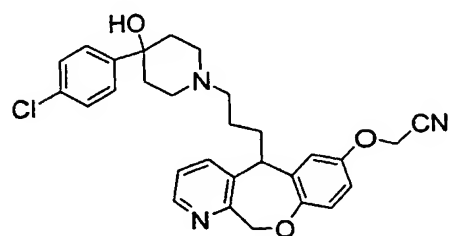
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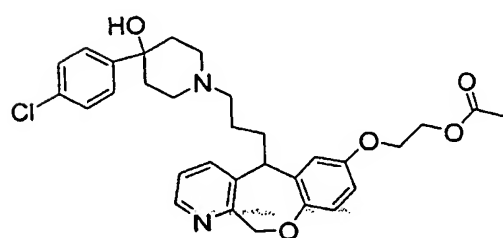
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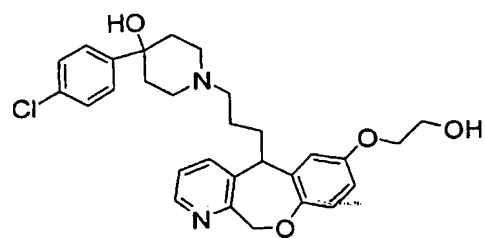
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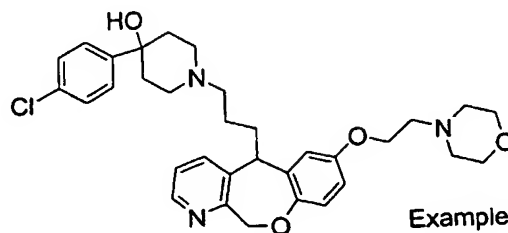
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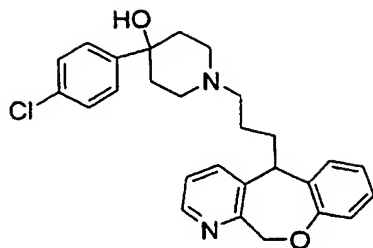
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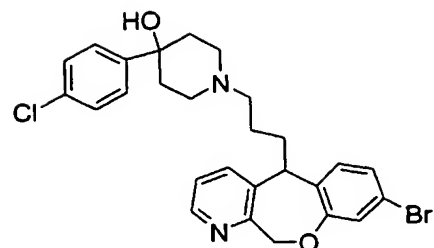
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Figure 6G

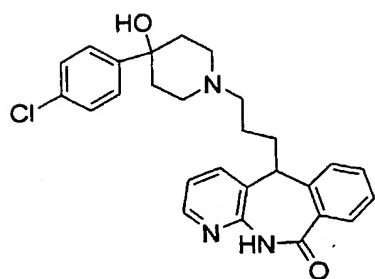
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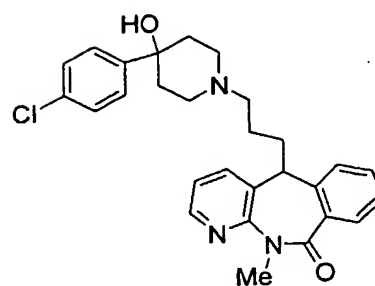
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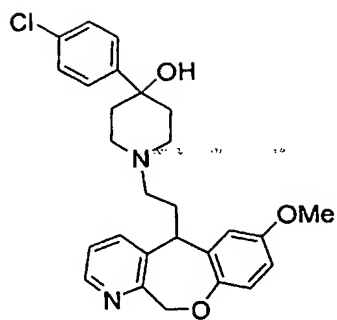
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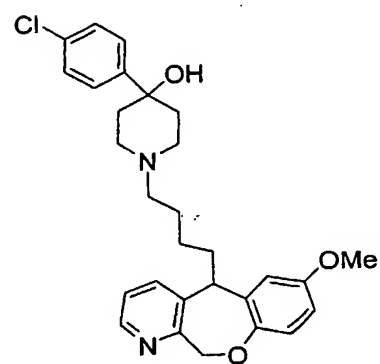
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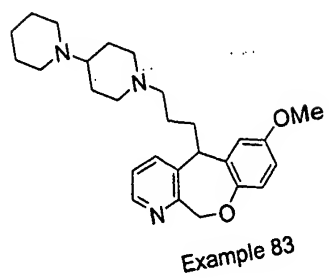
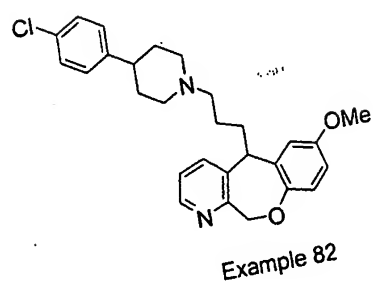
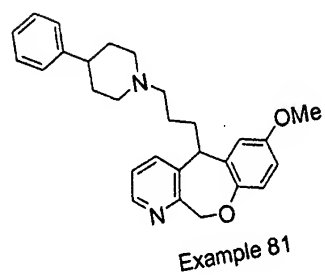
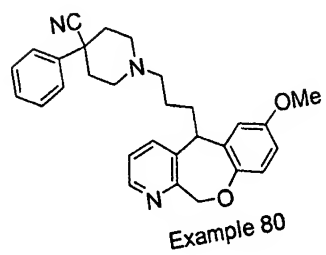
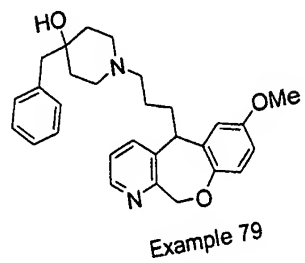
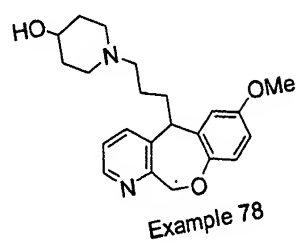
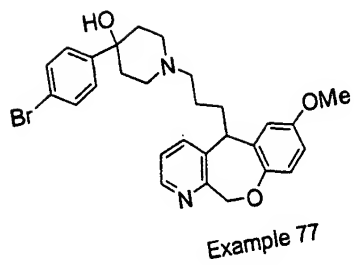
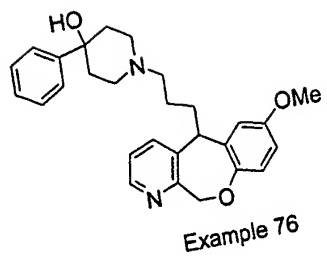


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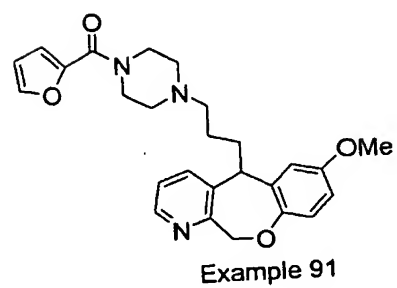
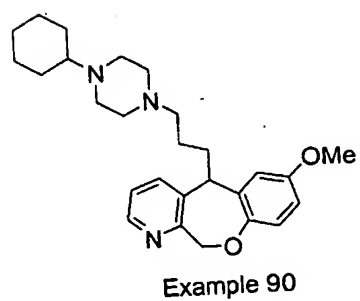
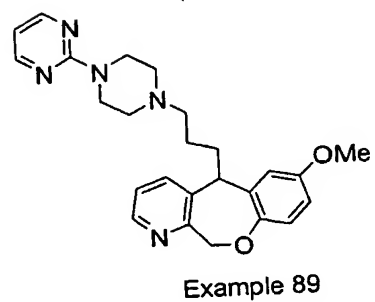
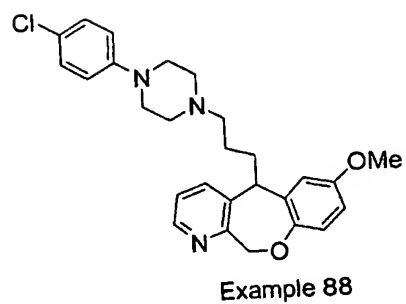
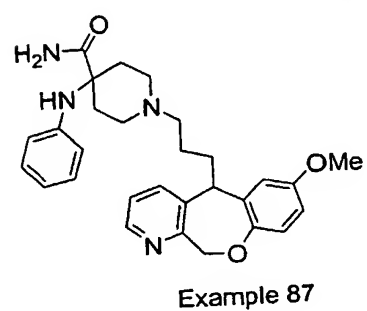
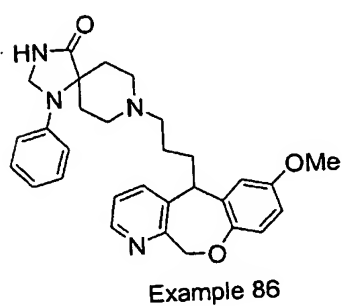
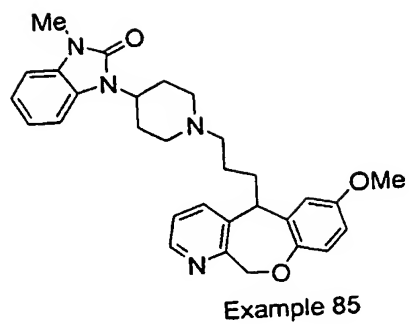
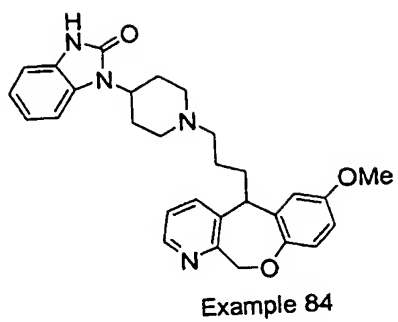


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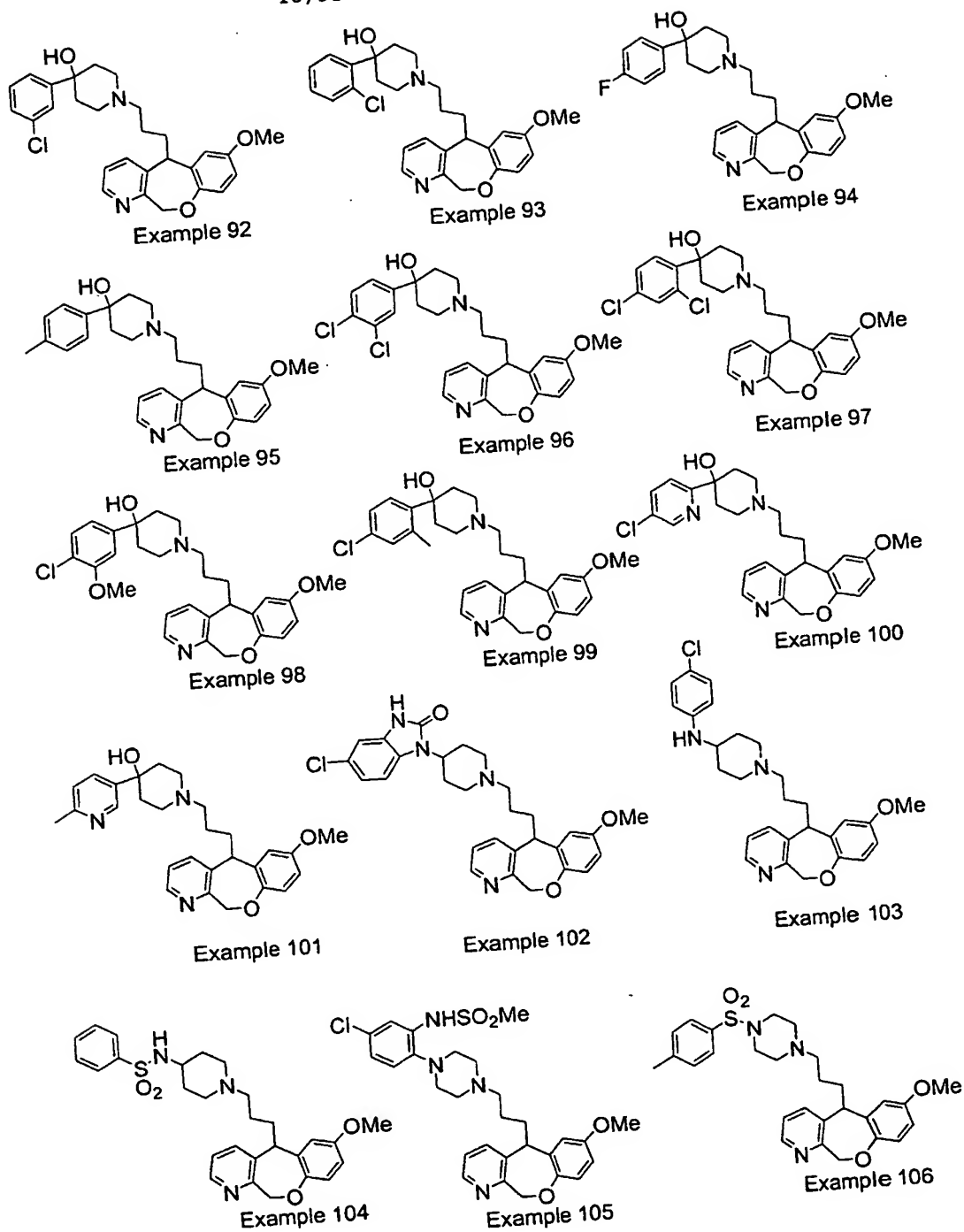


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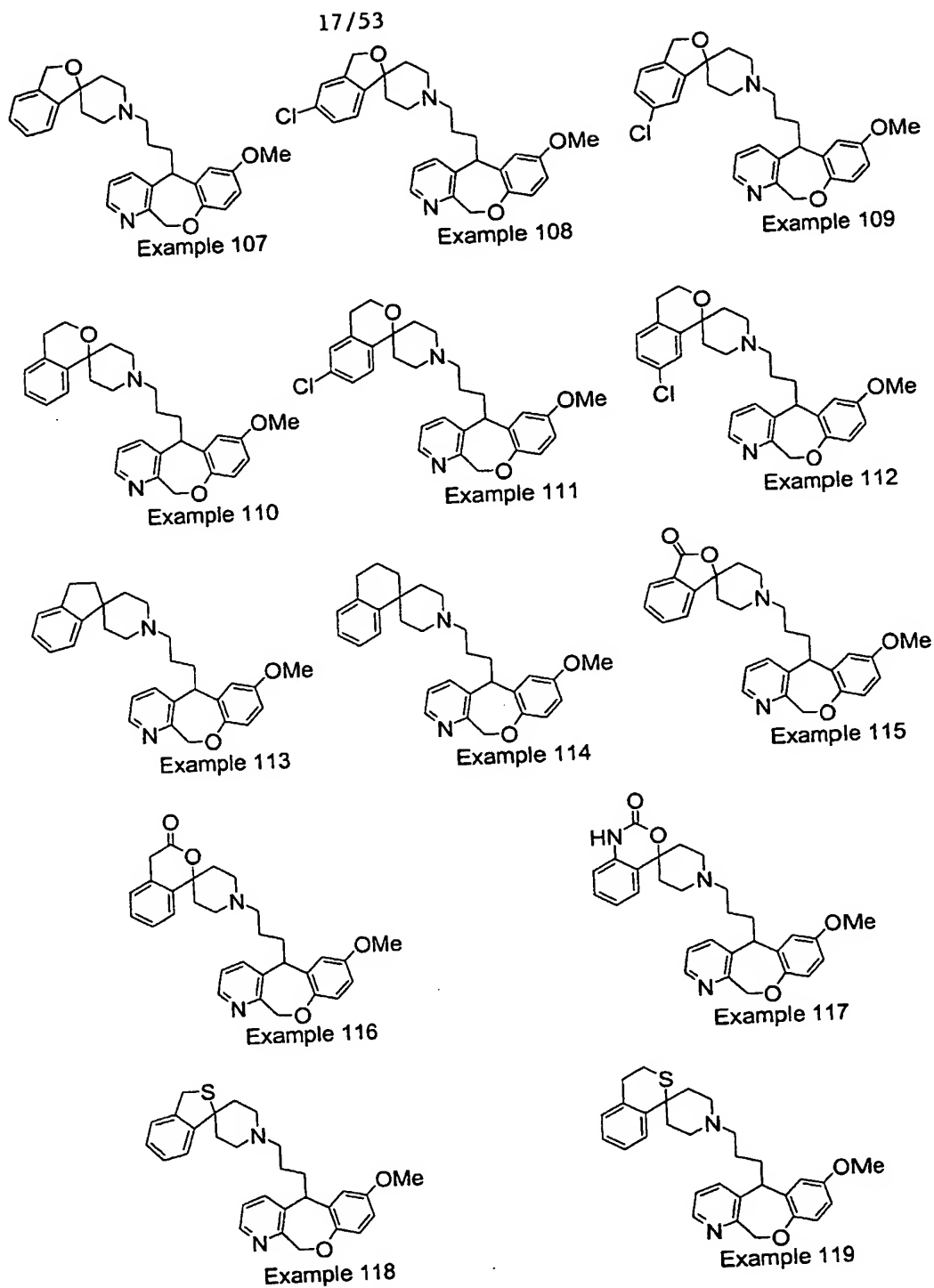


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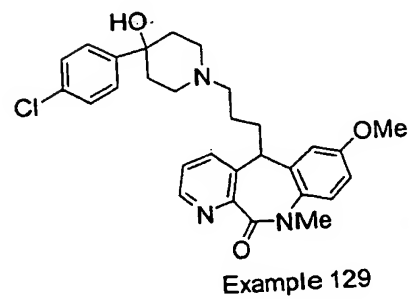
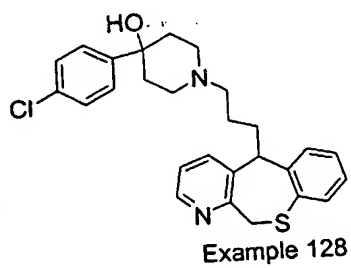
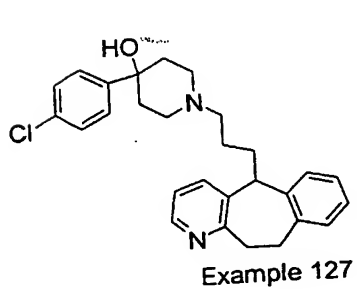
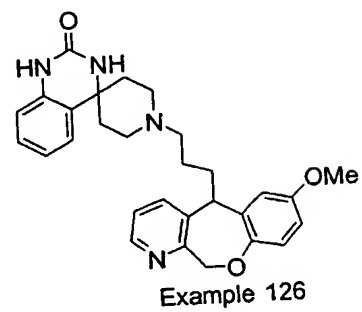
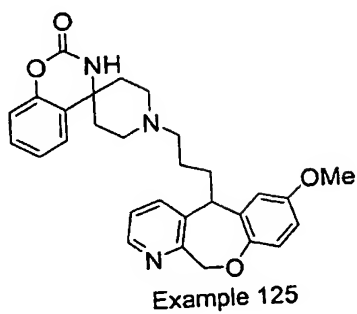
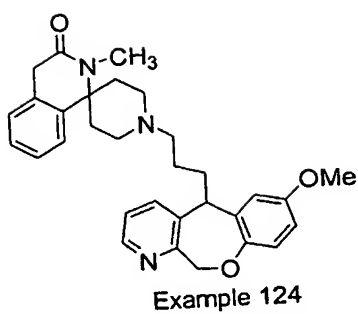
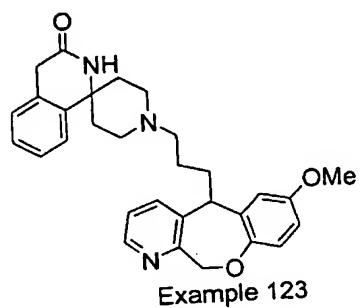
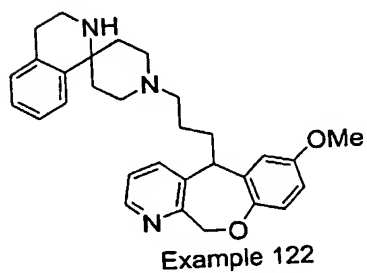
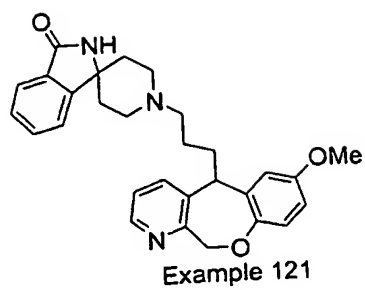
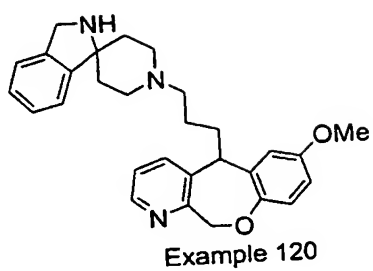


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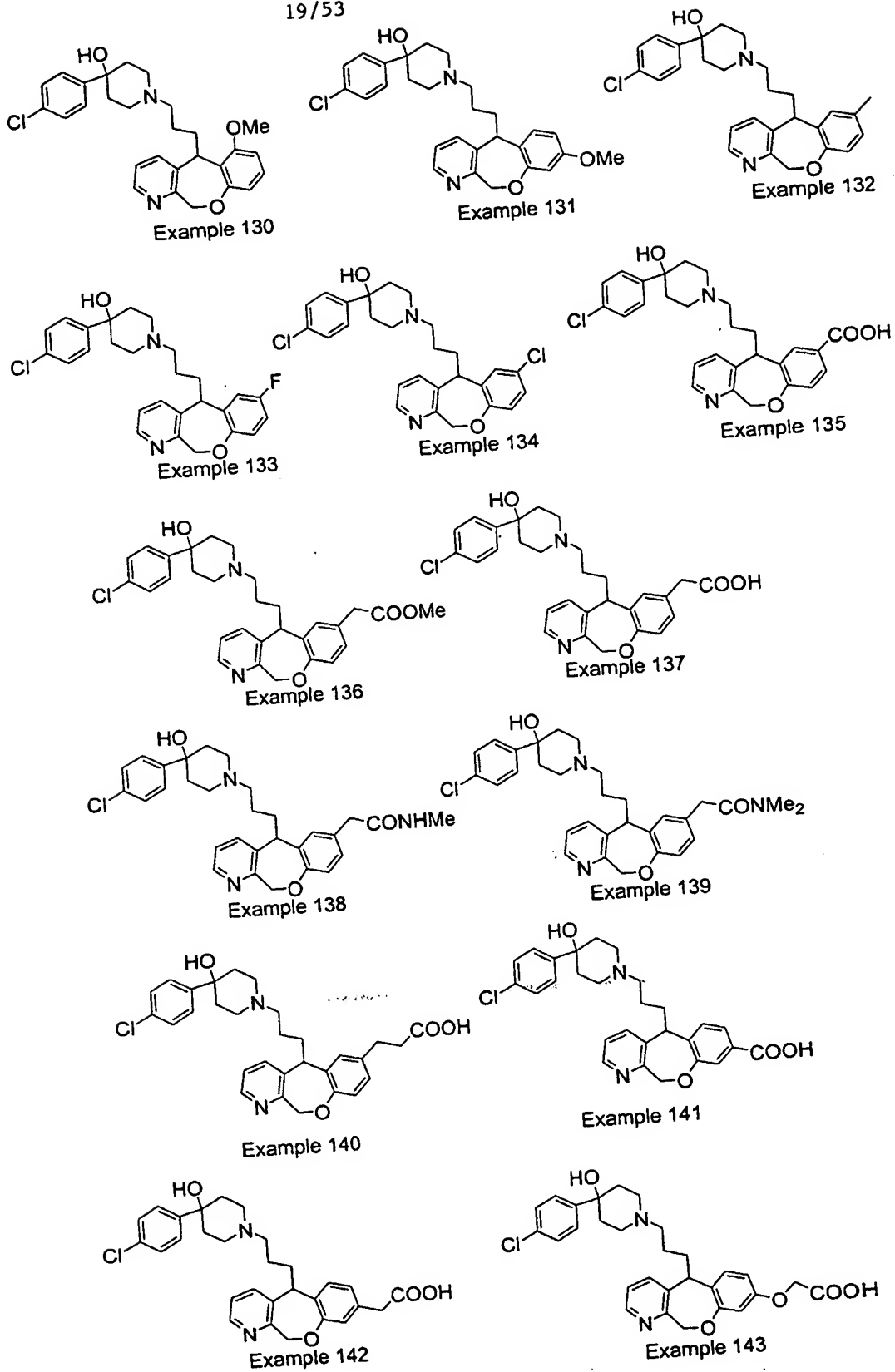


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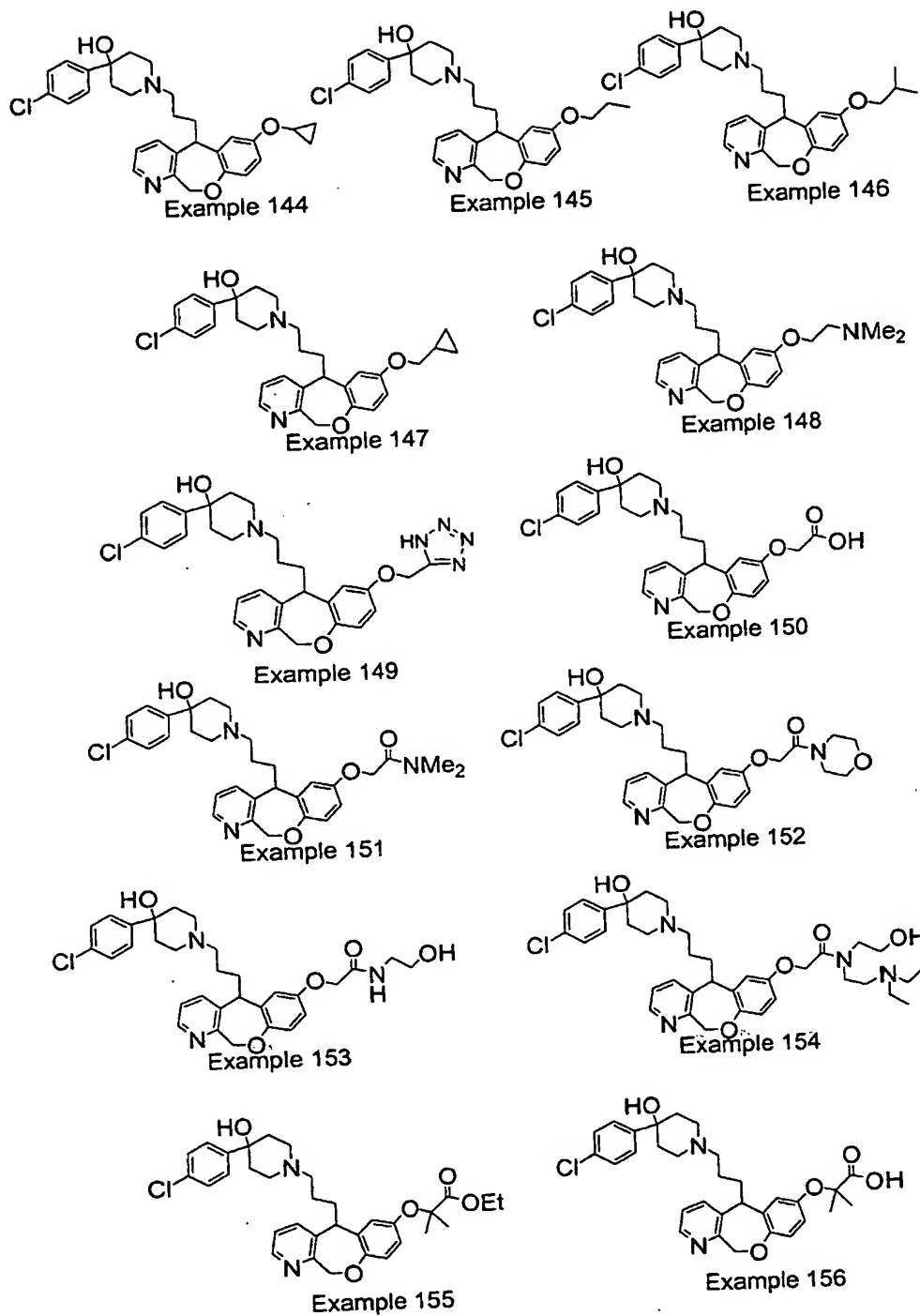


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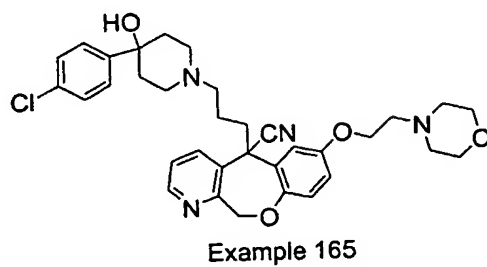
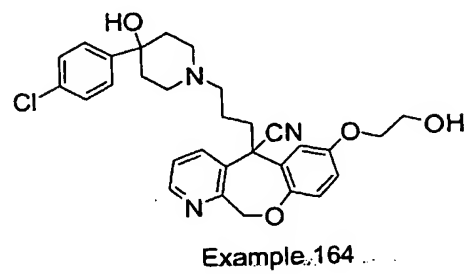
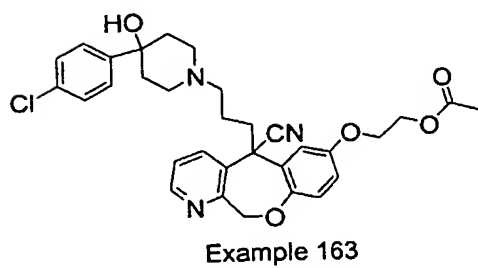
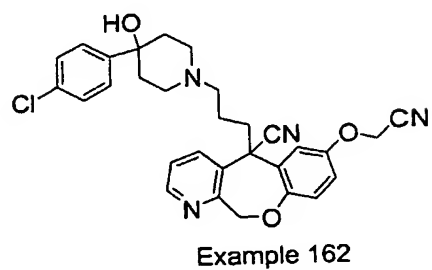
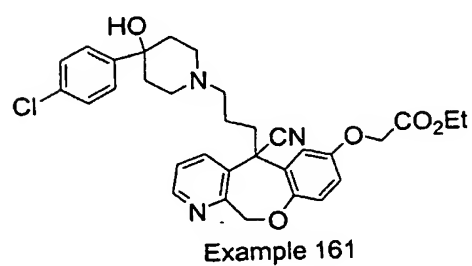
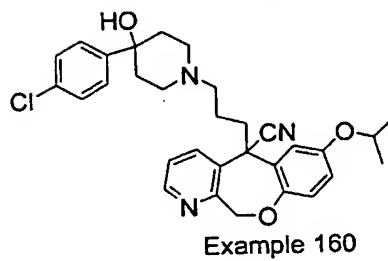
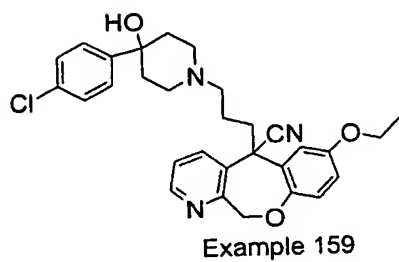
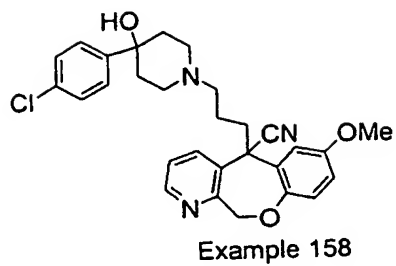
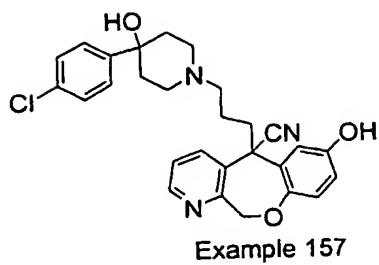
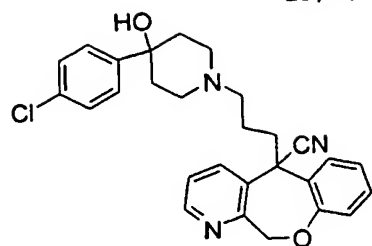
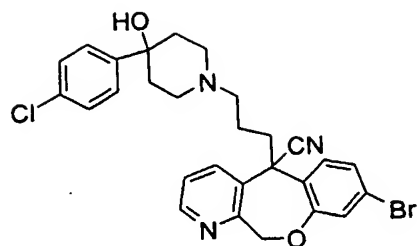


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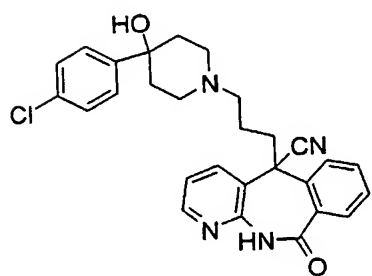
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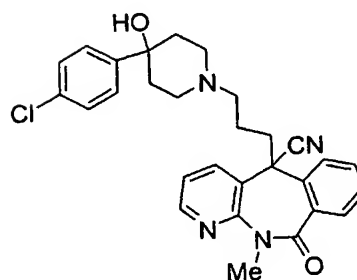
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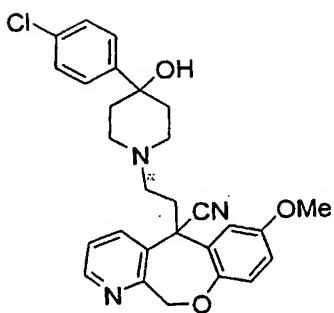
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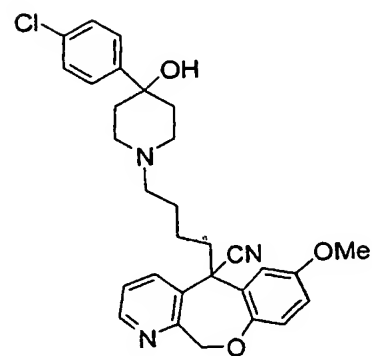
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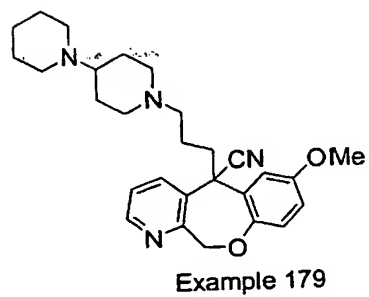
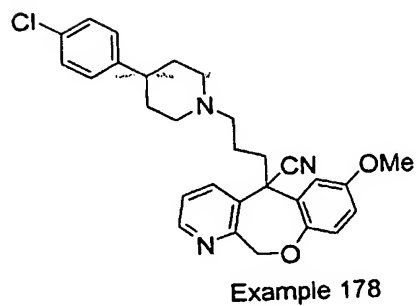
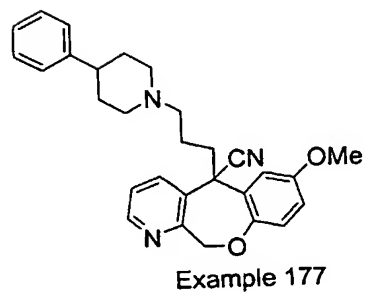
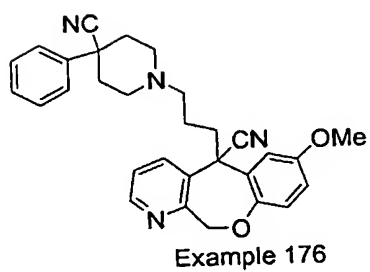
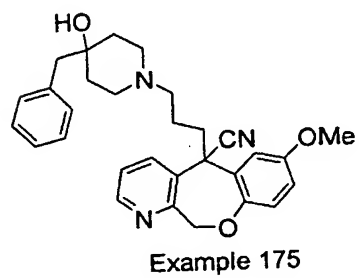
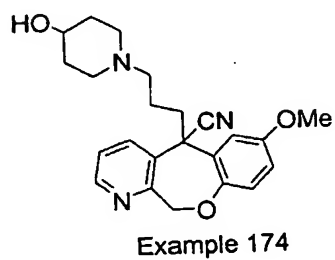
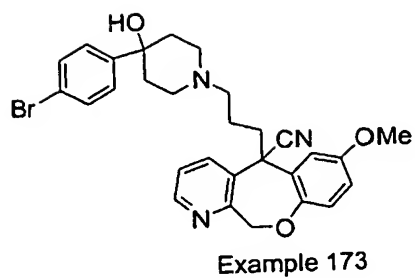
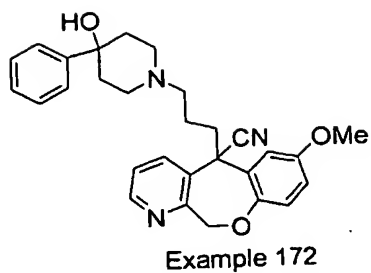


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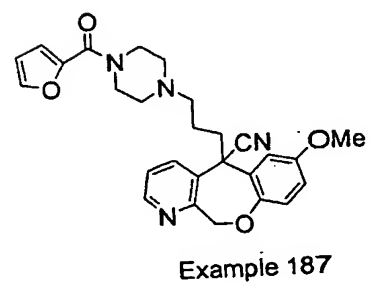
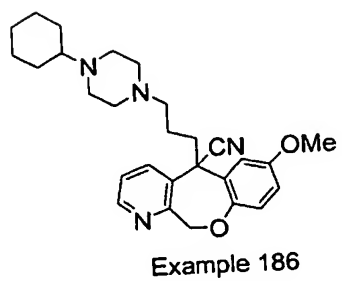
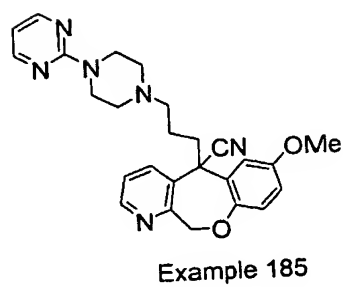
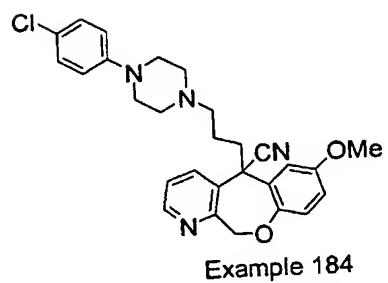
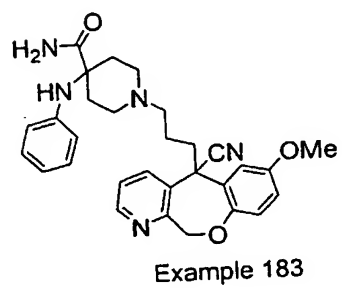
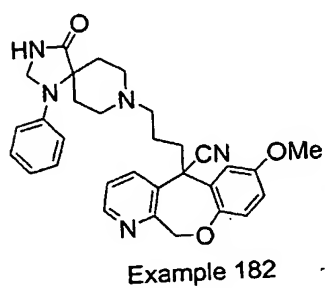
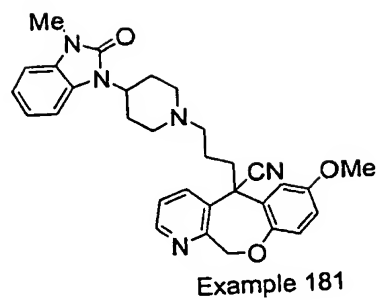
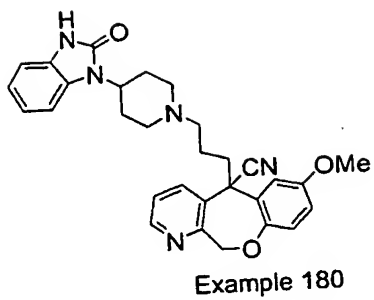


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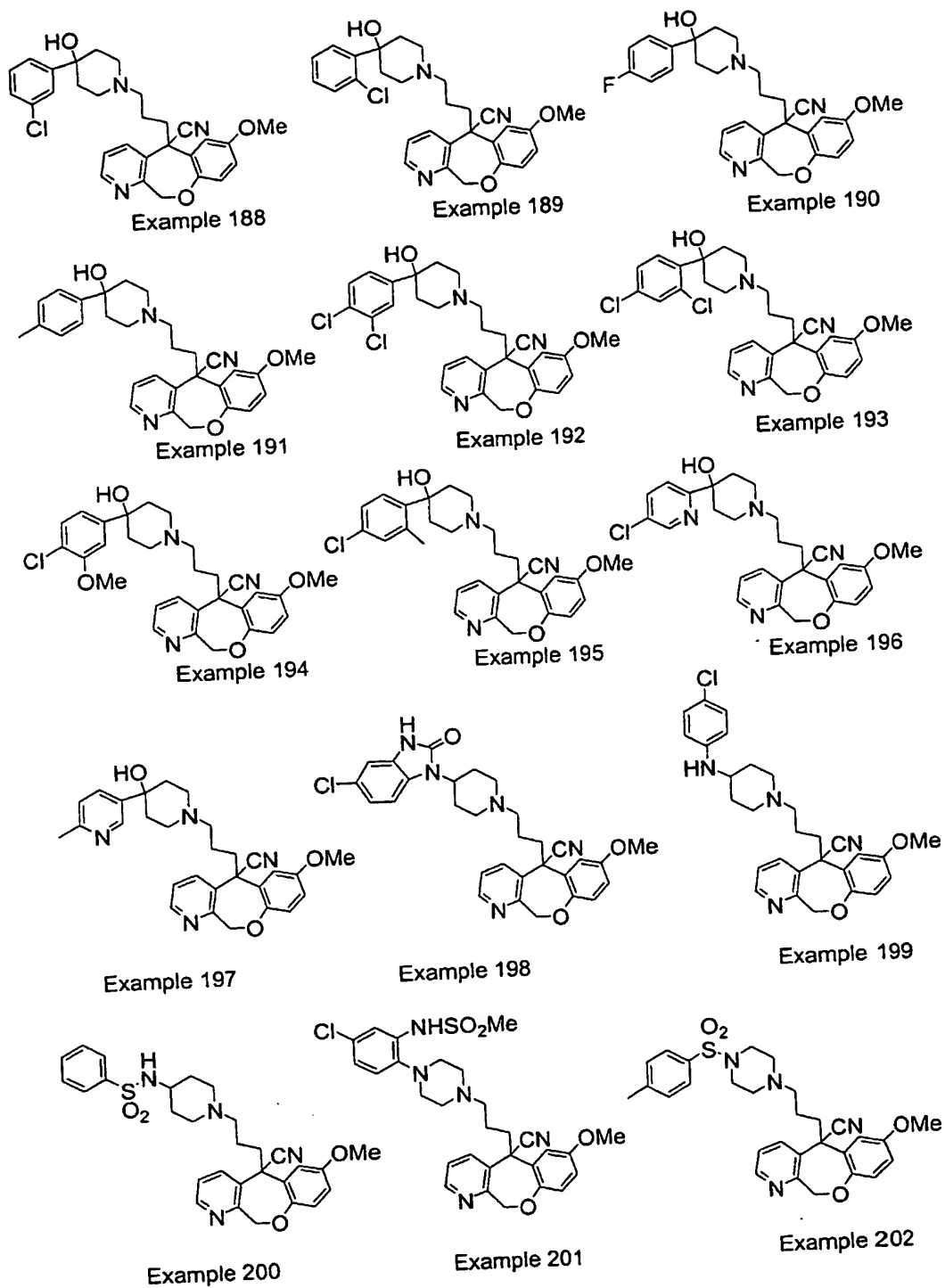


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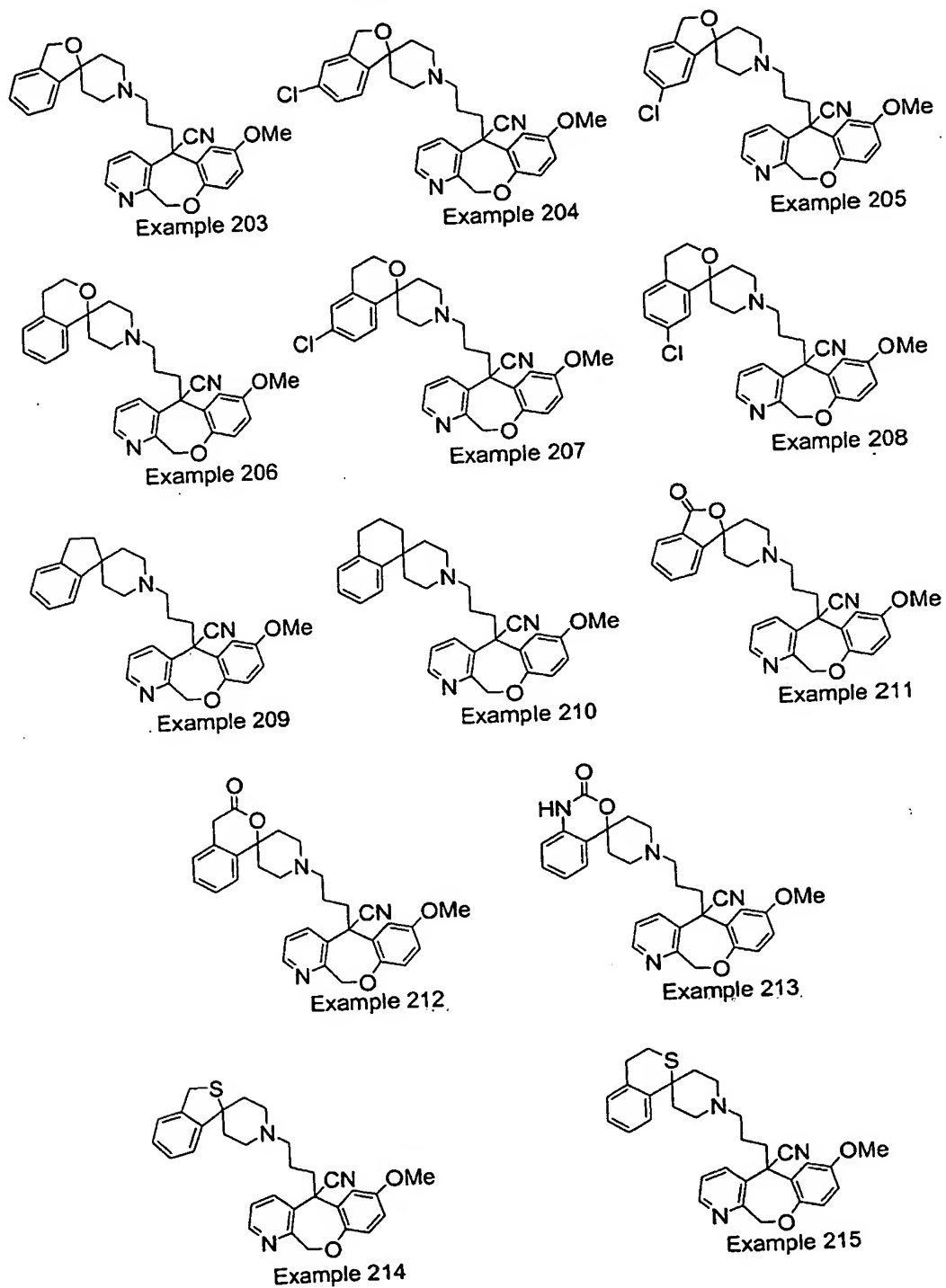


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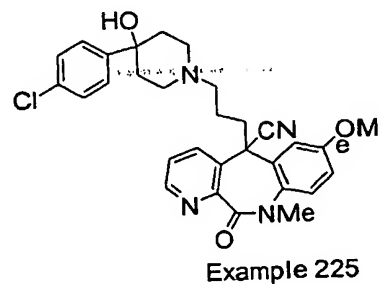
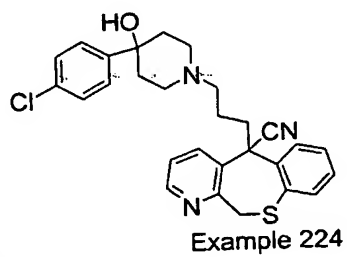
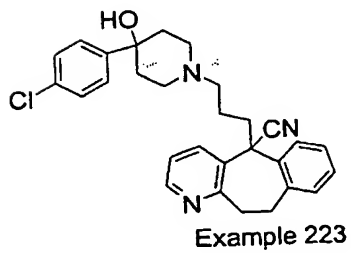
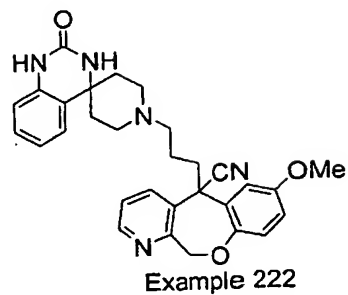
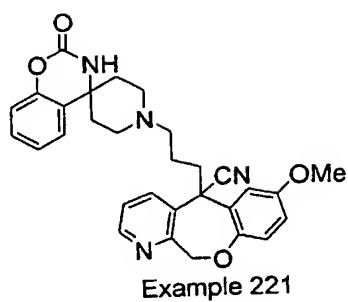
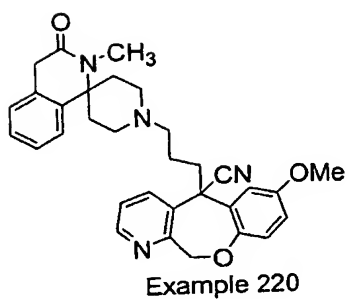
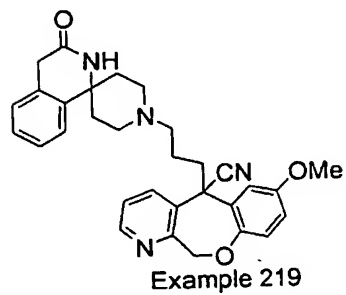
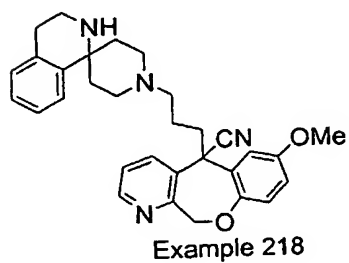
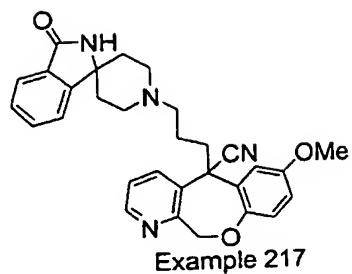
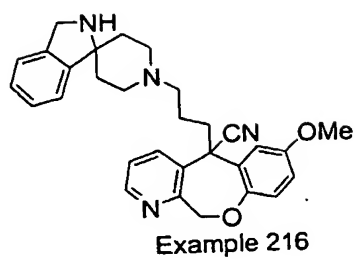


Figure 6V

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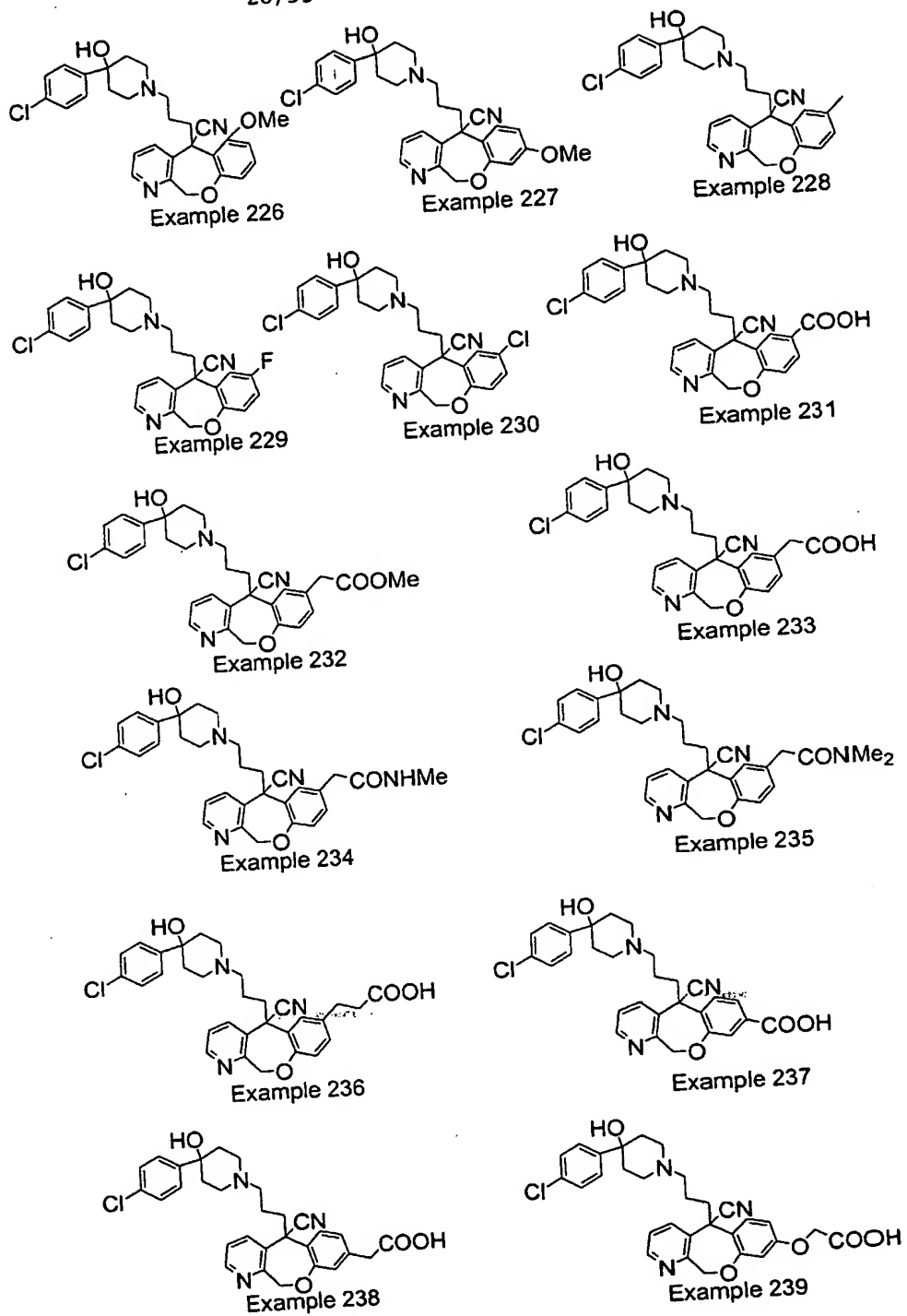


Figure 6W

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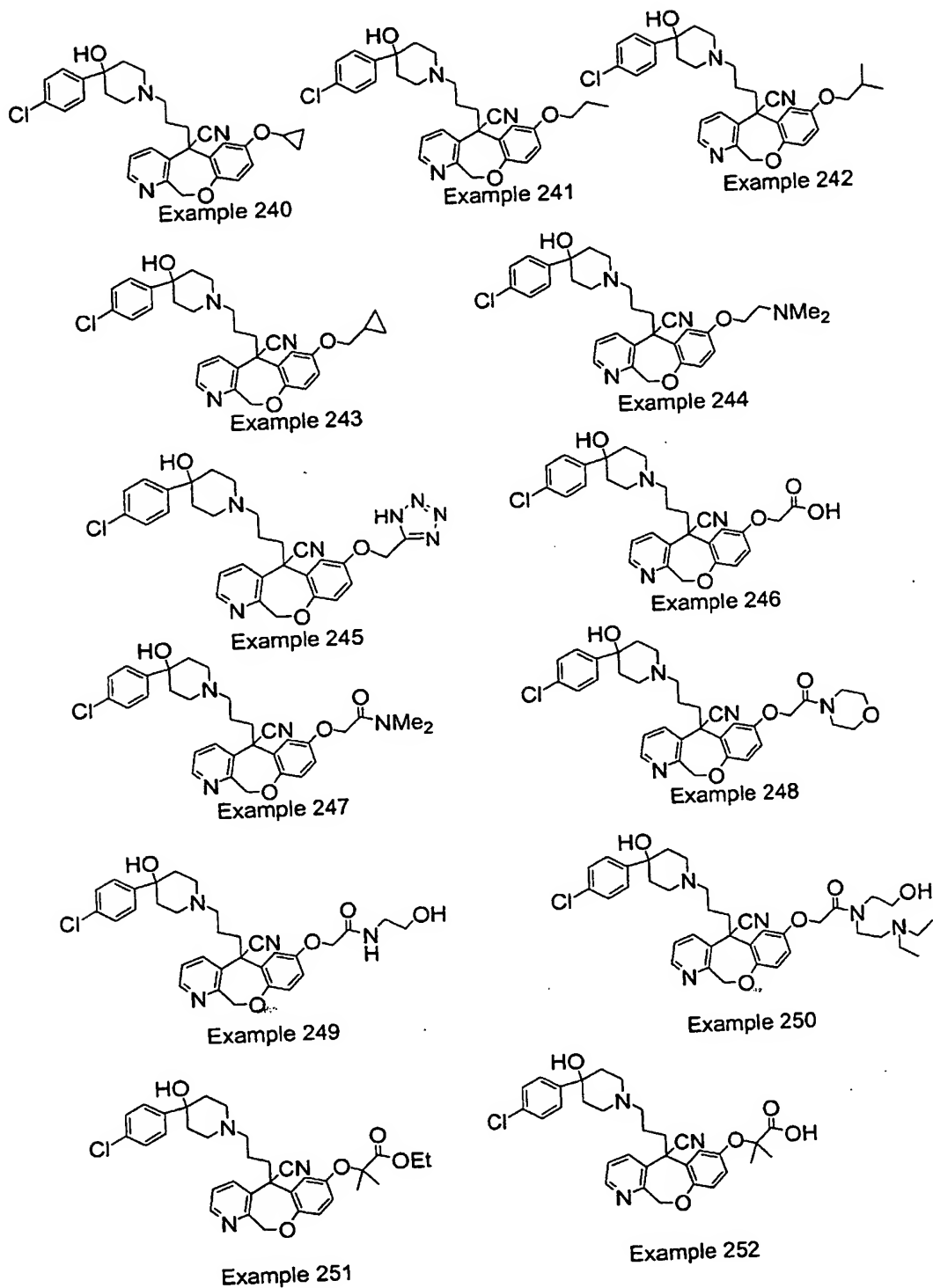
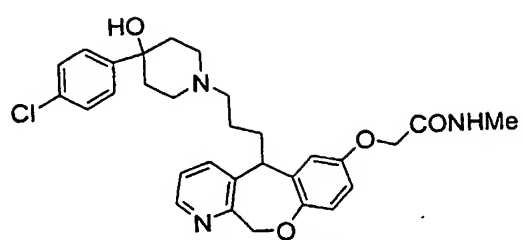
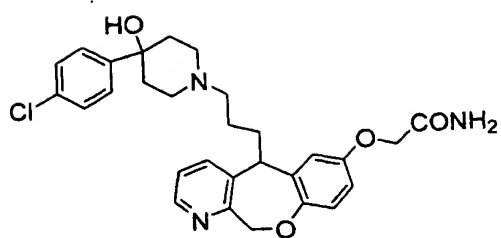


Figure 6X

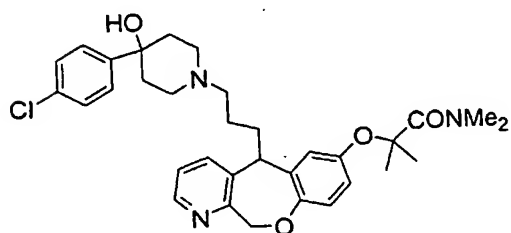
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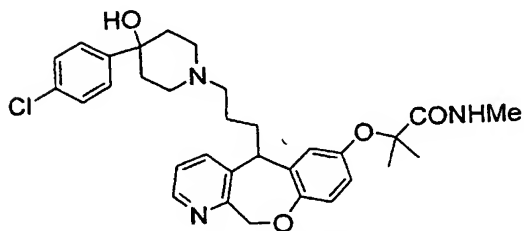
Example 253



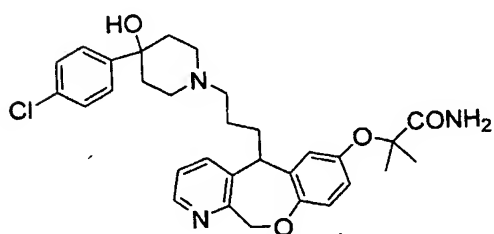
Example 254



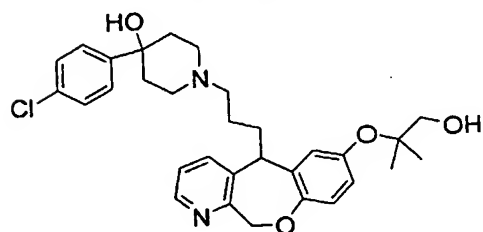
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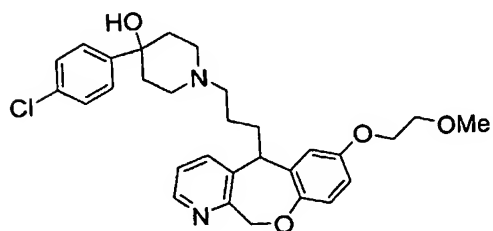
Example 256



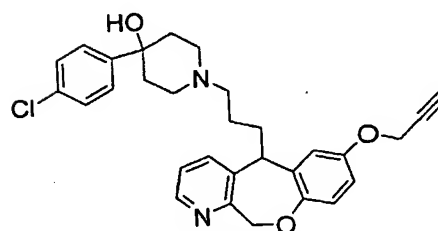
Example 257



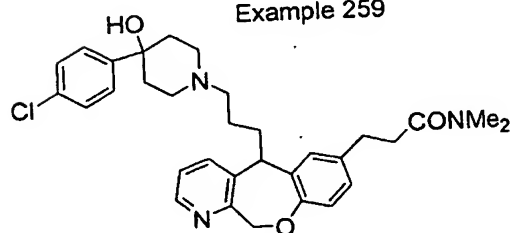
Example 258



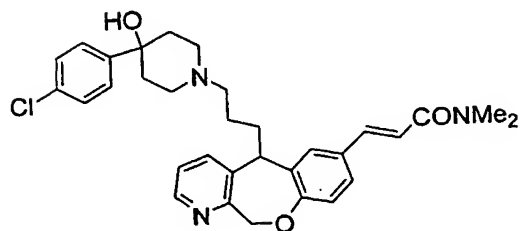
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Figure 6Y

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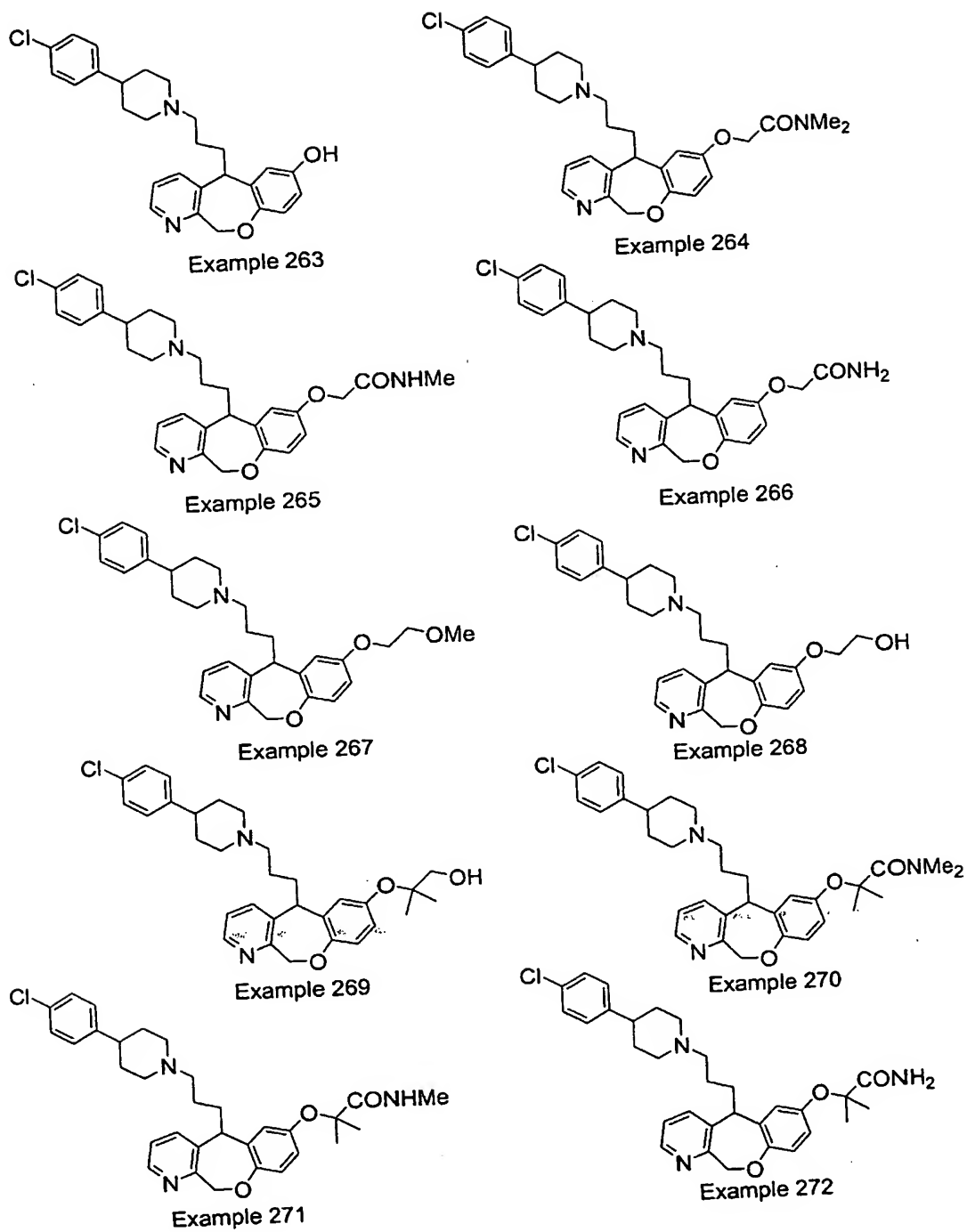
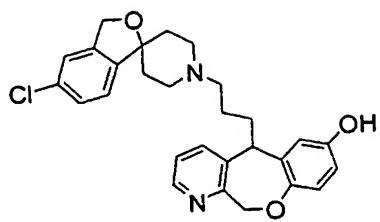
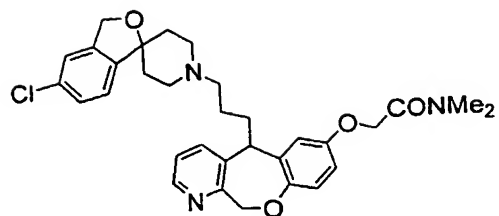


Figure 6Z

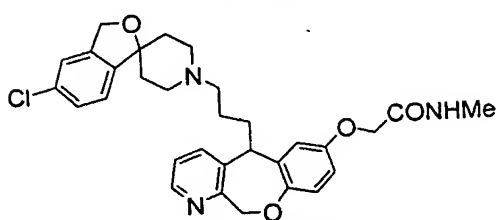
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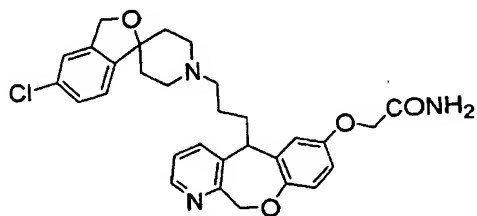
Example 273



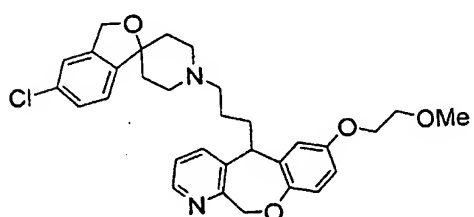
Example 274



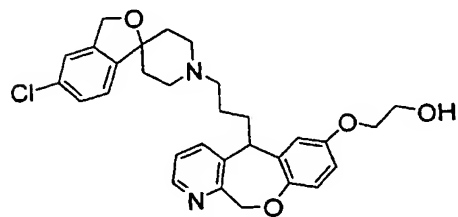
Example 275



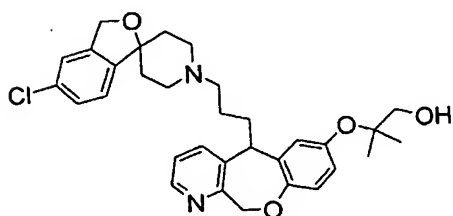
Example 276



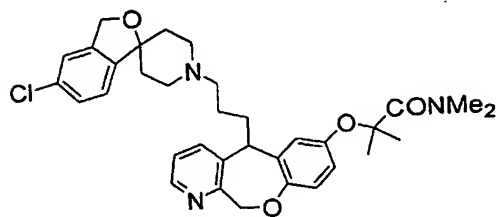
Example 277



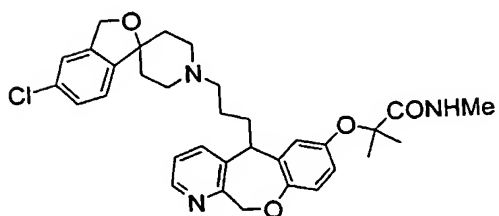
Example 278



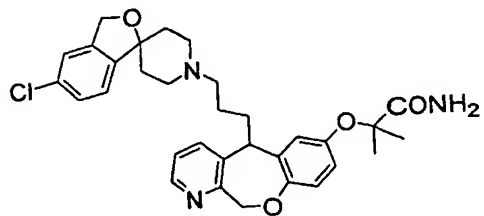
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Figure 6AA

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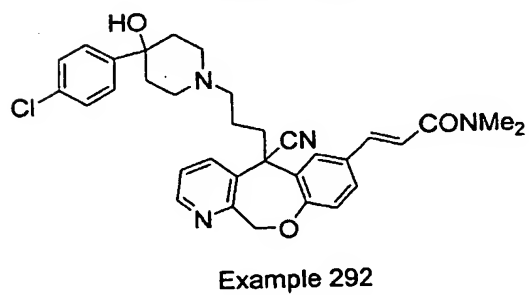
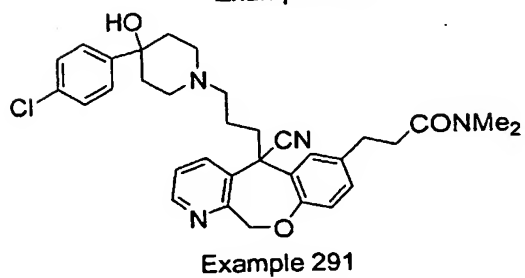
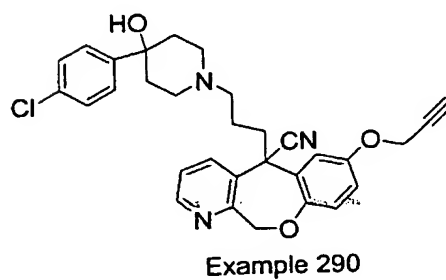
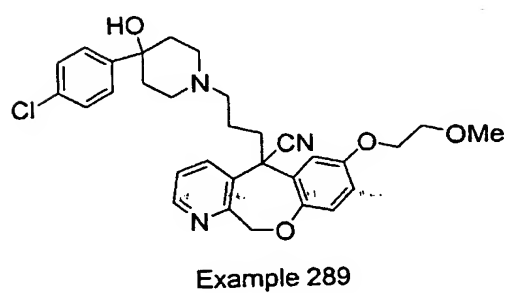
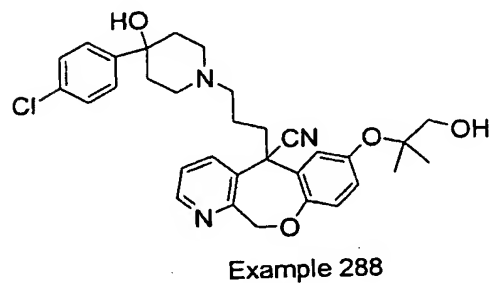
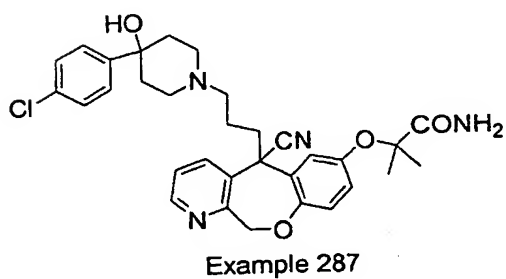
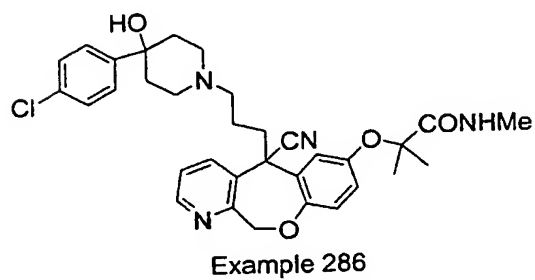
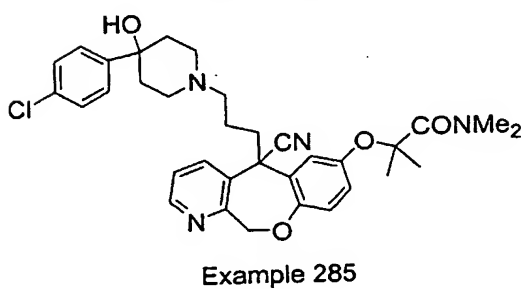
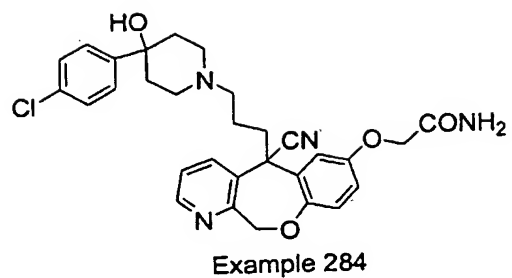
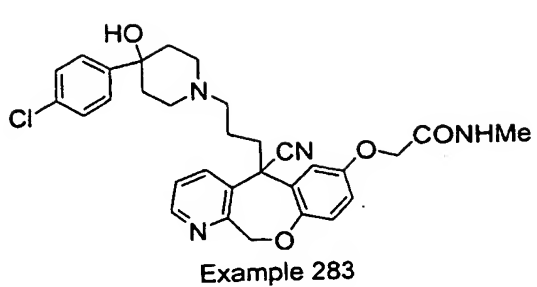


Figure 6AB

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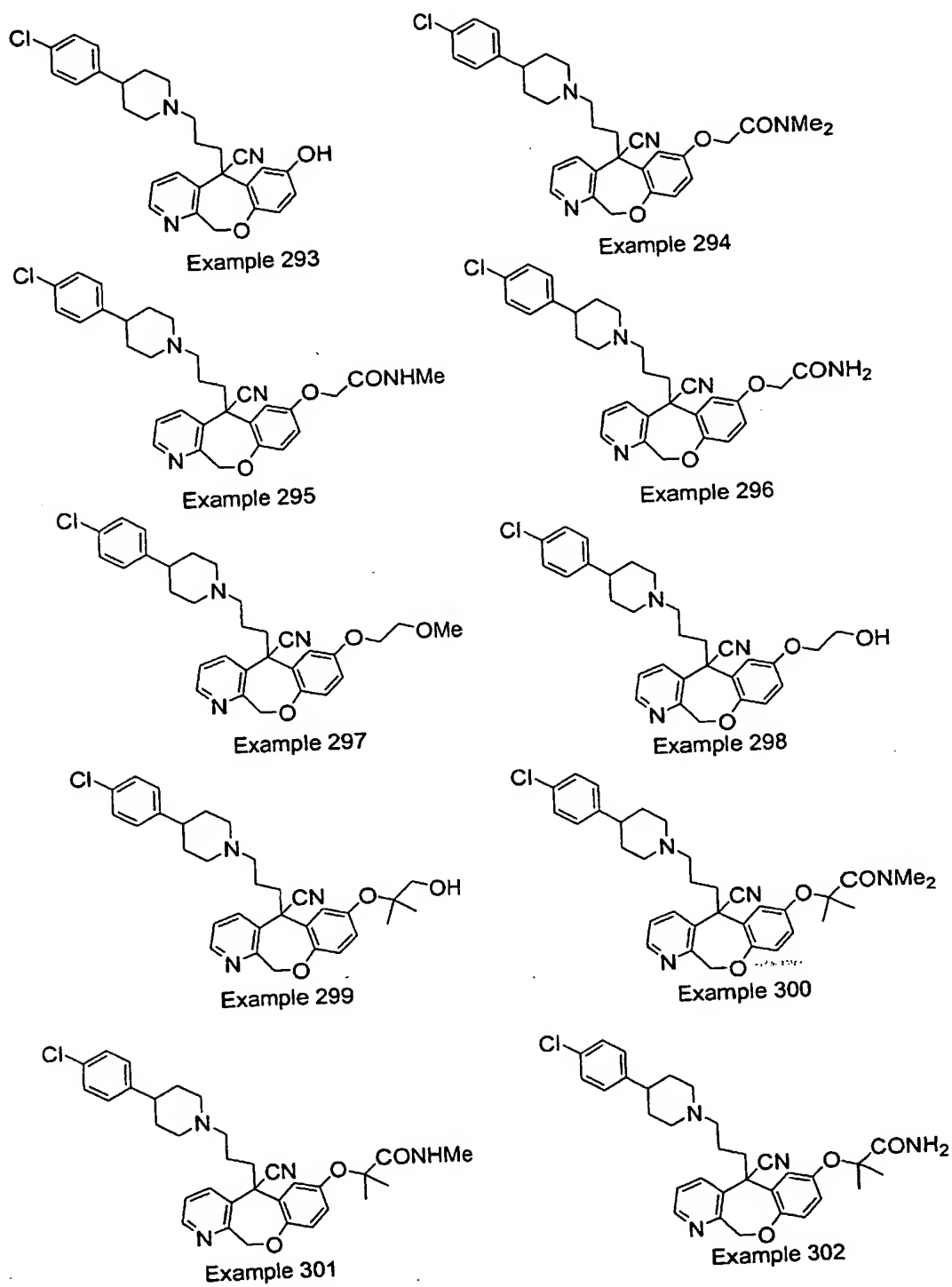
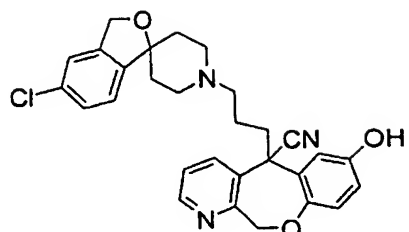
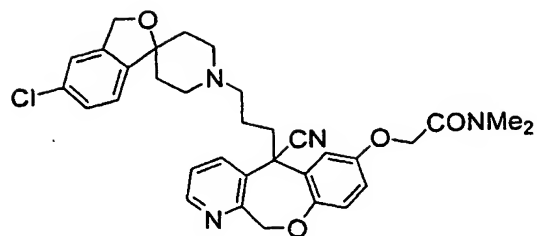


Figure 6AC

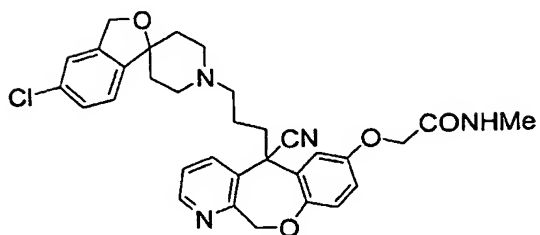
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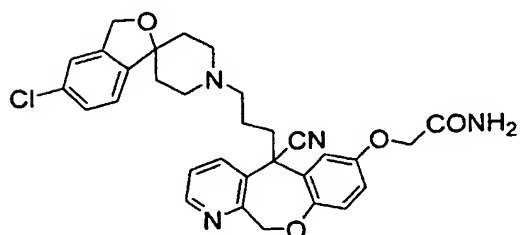
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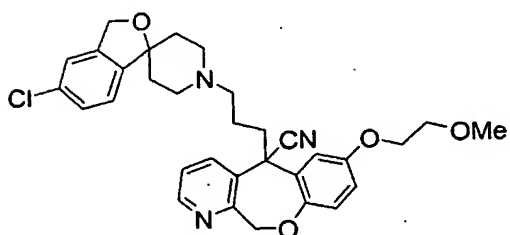
Example 304



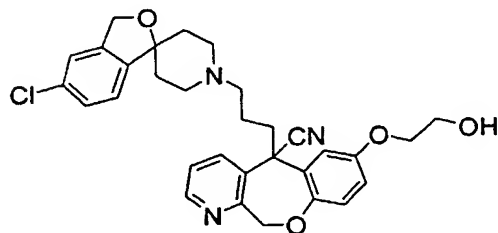
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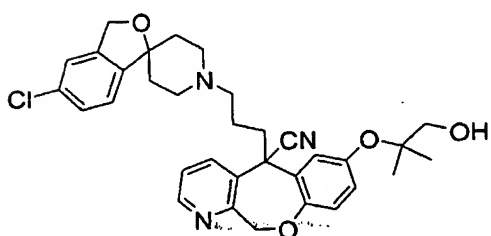
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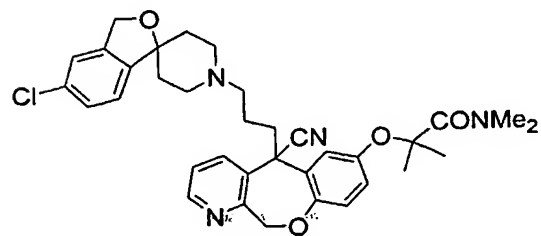
Example 307



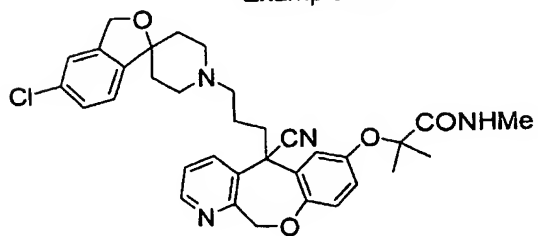
Example 308



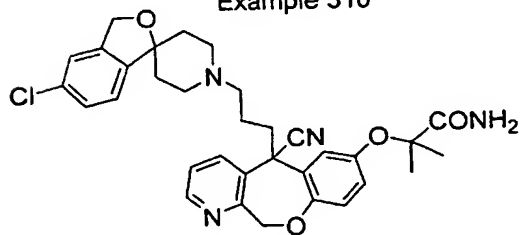
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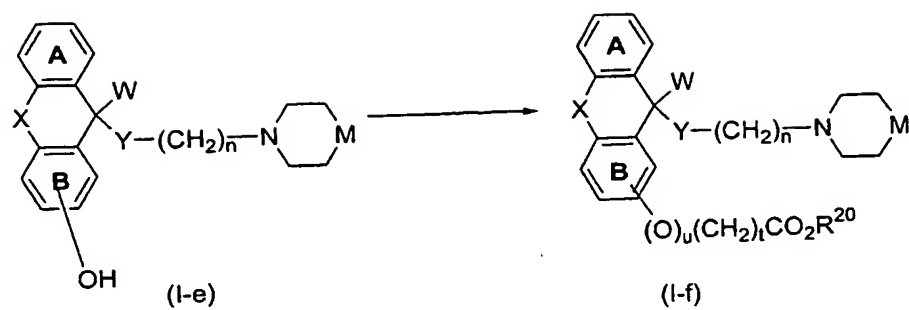


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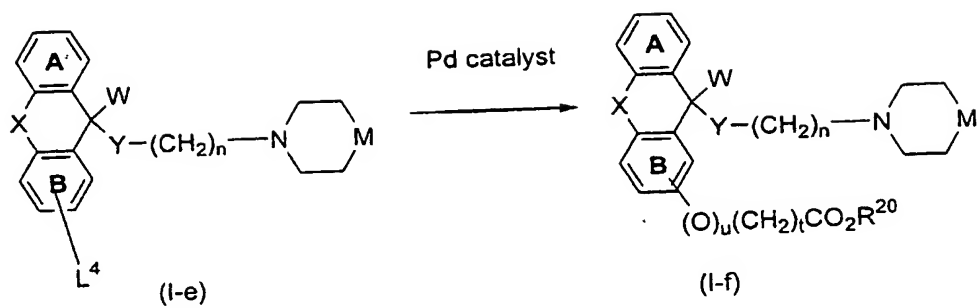


Figure 8A

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Fig. 8b

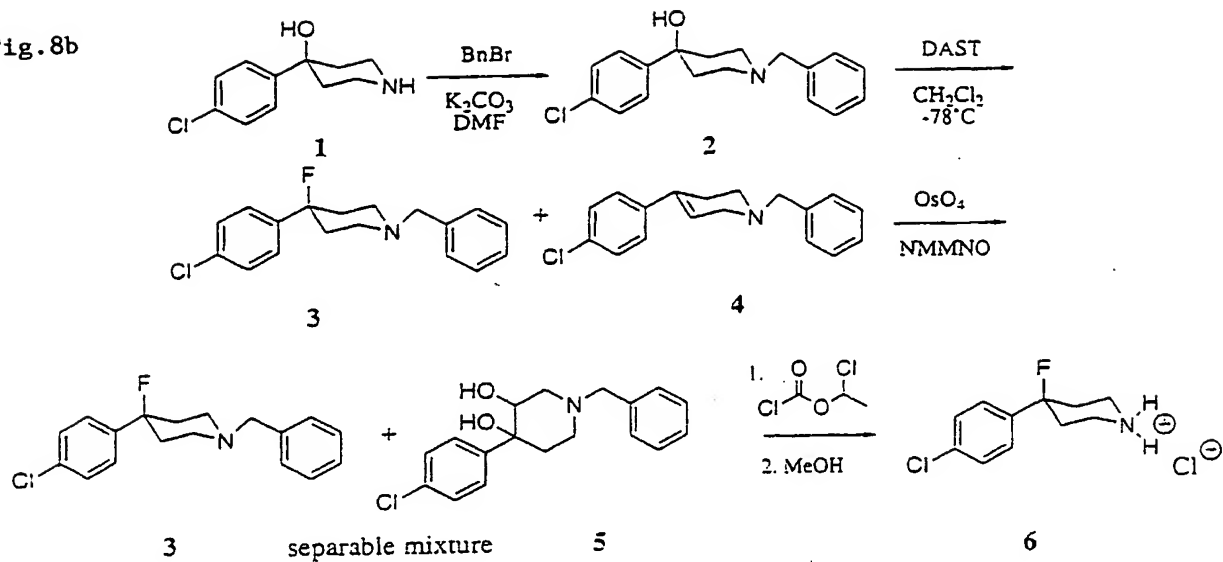


Fig. 8c

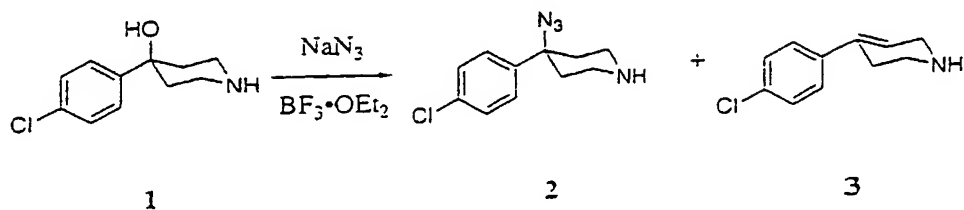
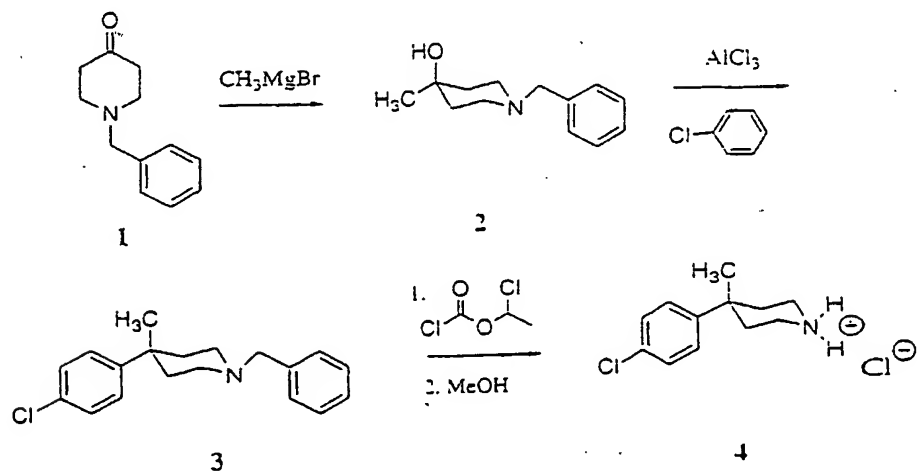


Fig. 8d



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Fig. 9a

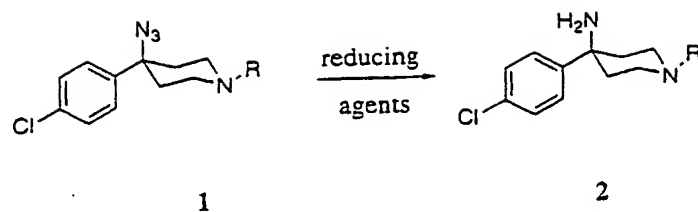


Fig. 9b

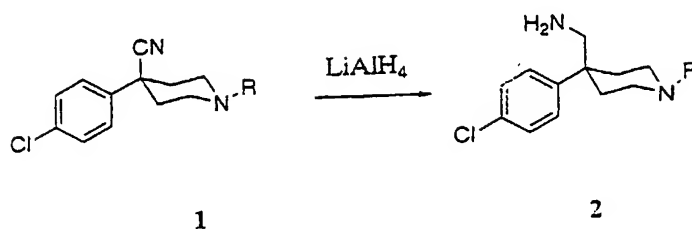


Fig. 9c

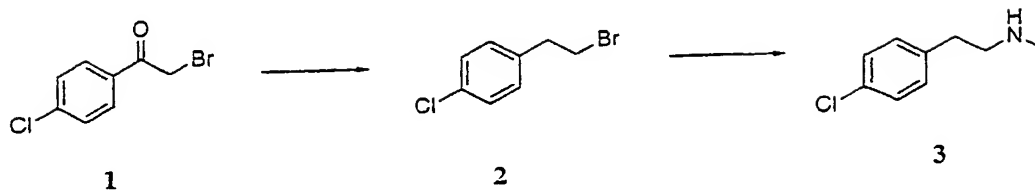


Fig. 9d

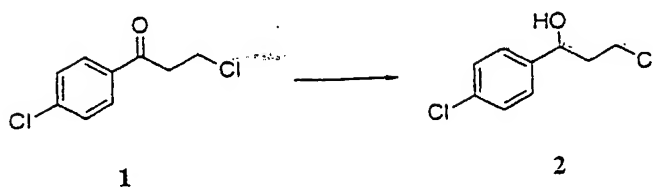


Fig. 9e



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Figure 10a

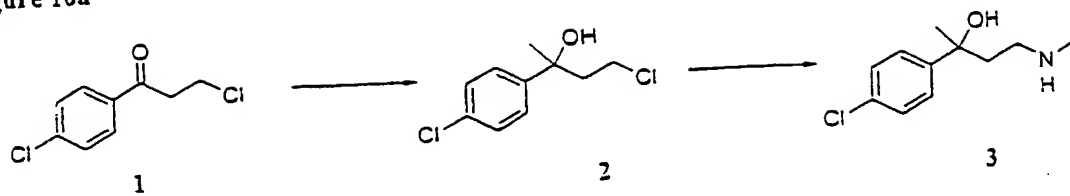


Figure 10b

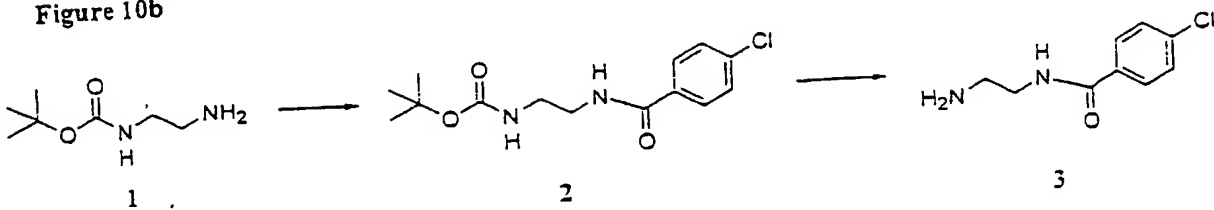


Figure 10c

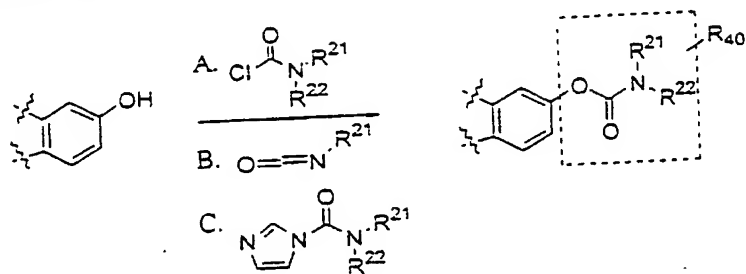
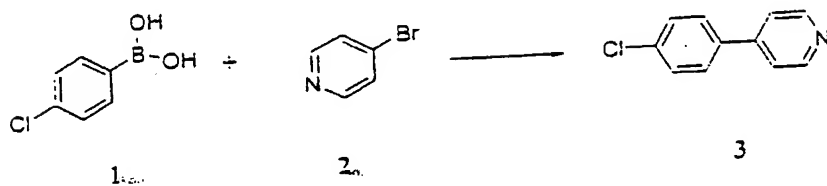


Figure 10 d



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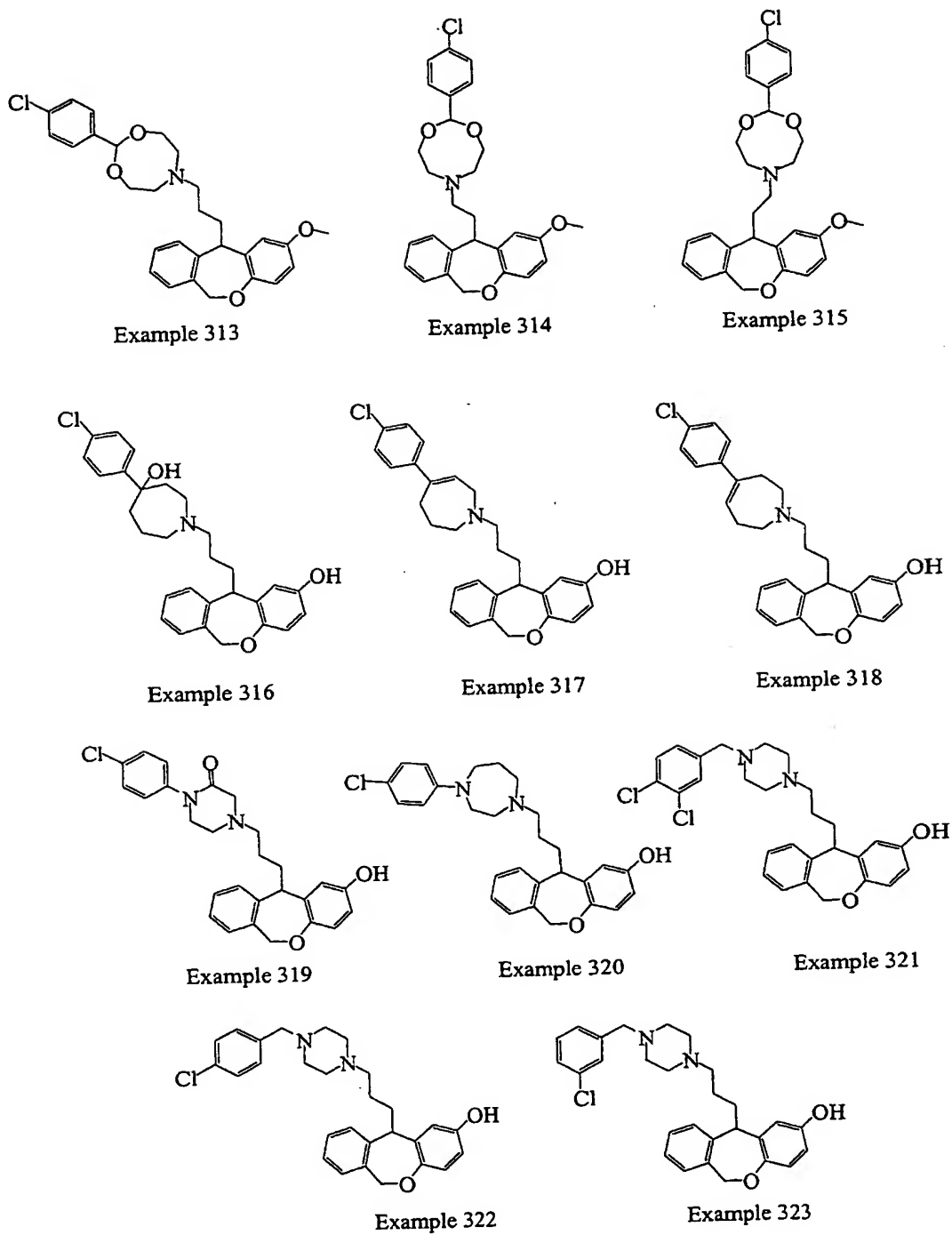
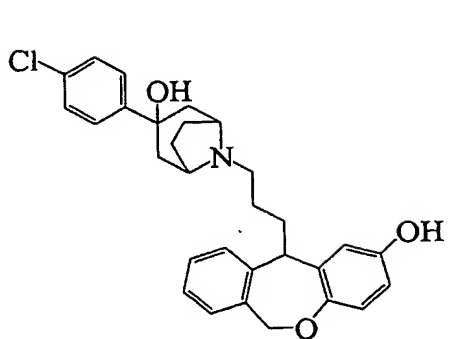
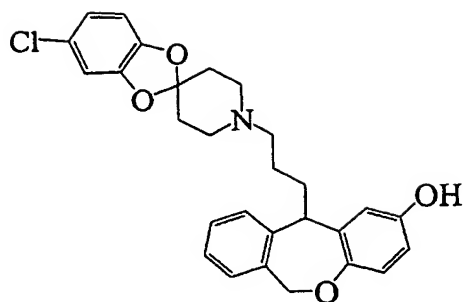


Figure 11A

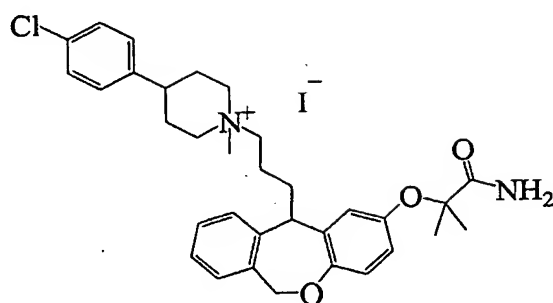
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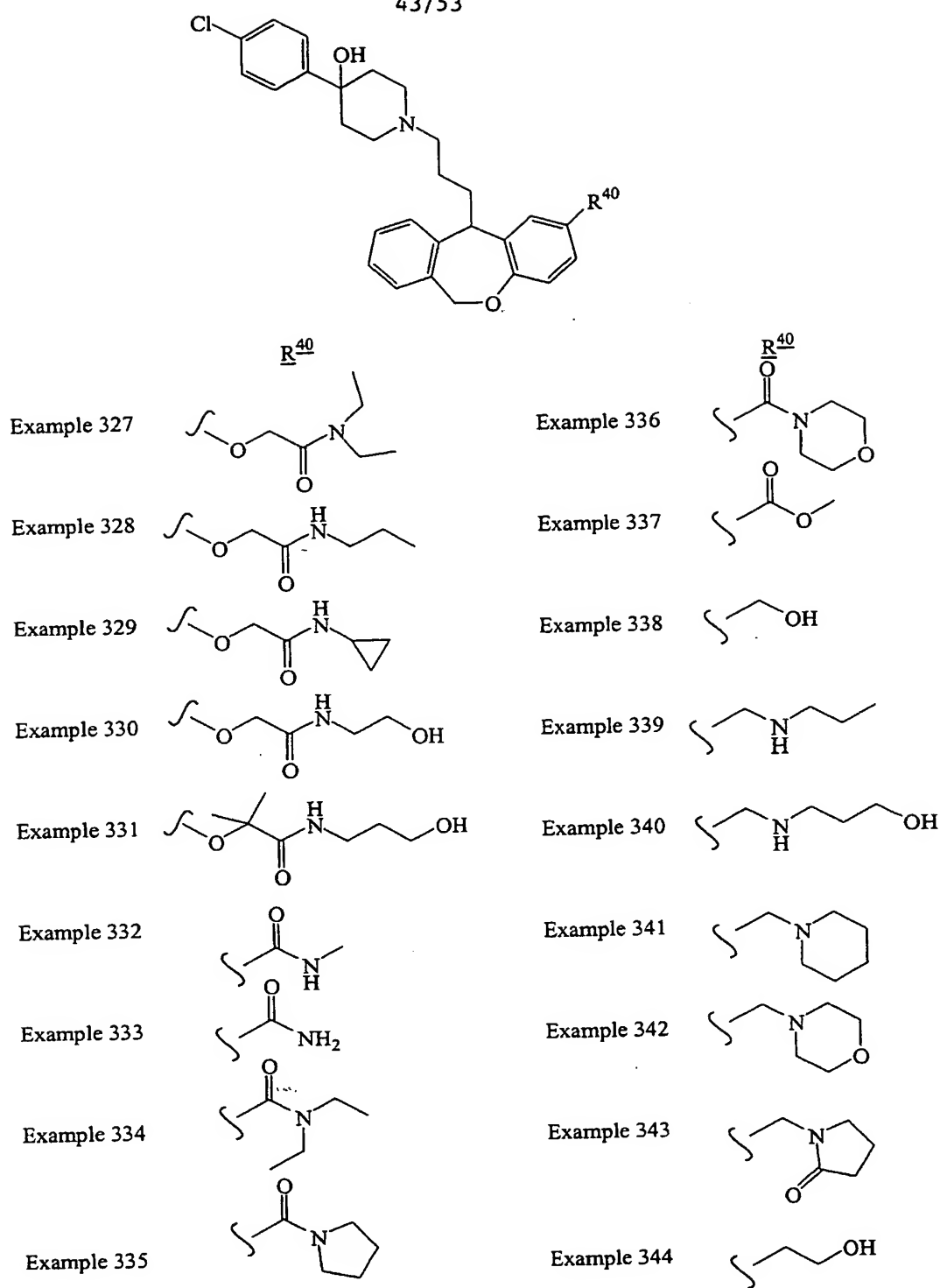


Figure 11C

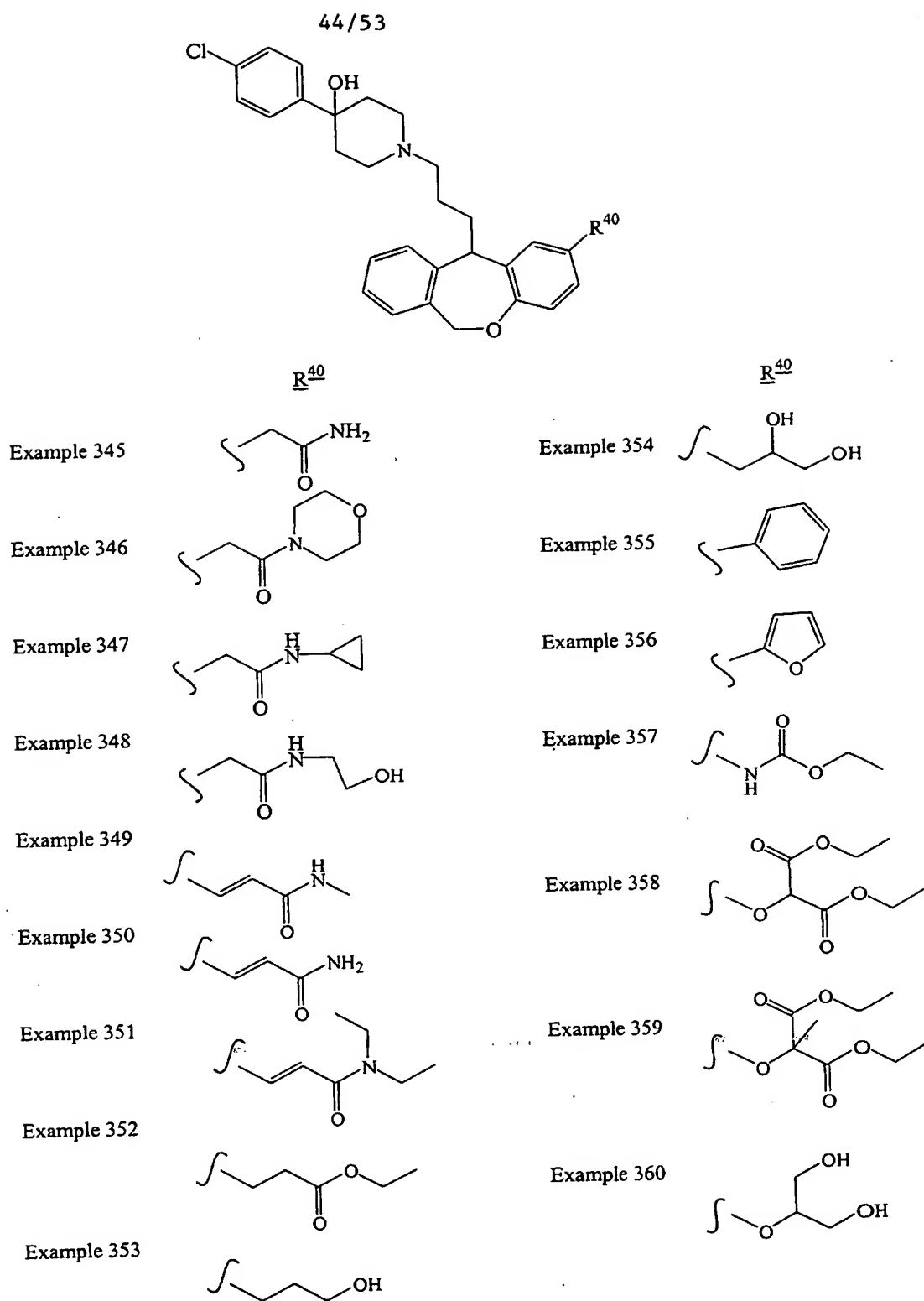
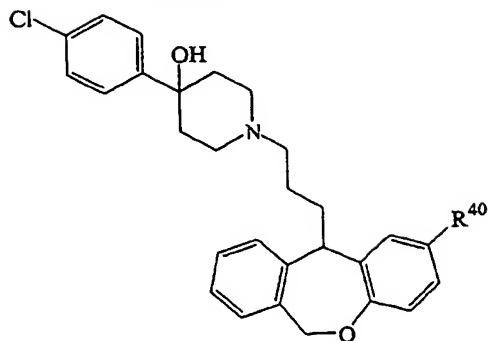
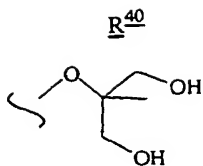


Figure 11D

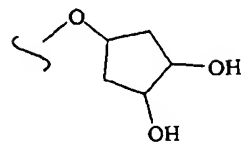
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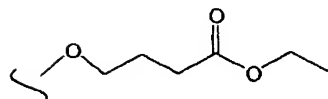
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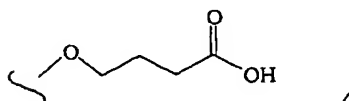
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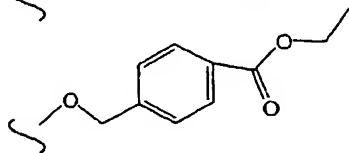
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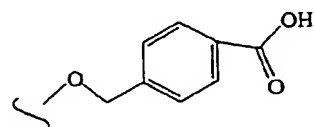
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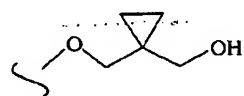
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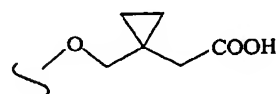
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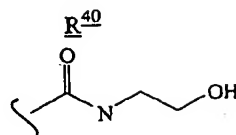
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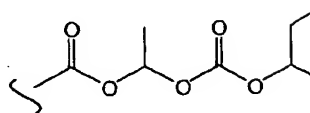
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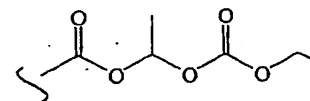
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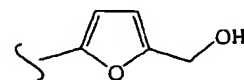
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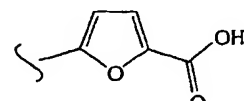
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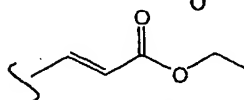
Example 372



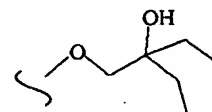
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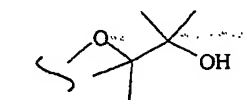
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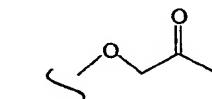
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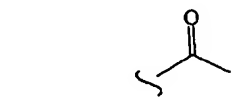


Figure 11E

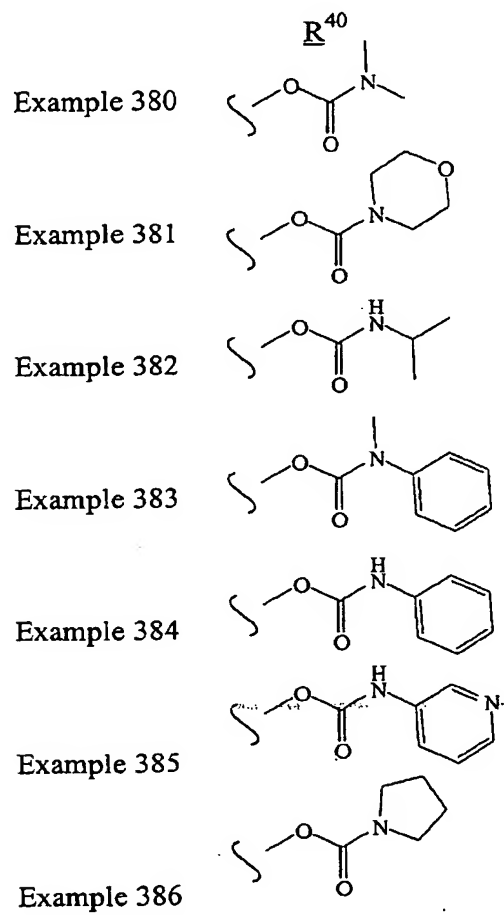
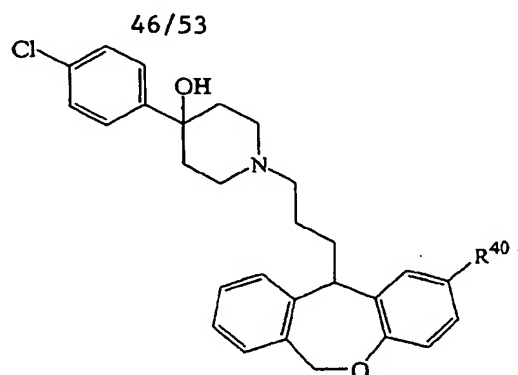
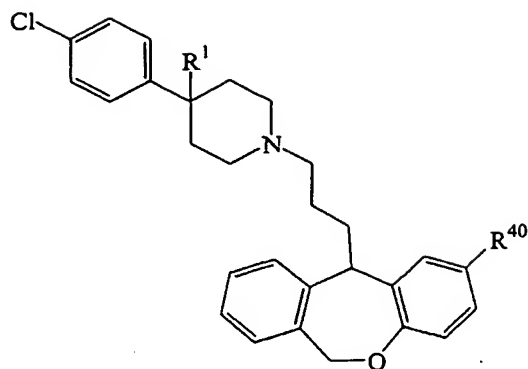


Figure 11F

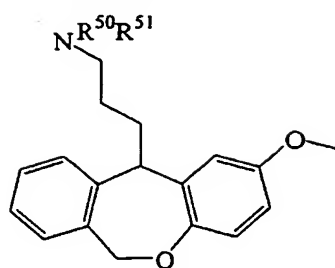
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	R^1	R^{40}
Example 387	-CN	-OCH ₃
Example 388	-CH ₂ NH ₂	-OCH ₃
Example 389	-NH ₂	-OCH ₃
Example 390	-CH ₃	-OCH ₃
Example 391	-OCH ₃	-OCH ₃
Example 392	-F	-OH
Example 393	-CH ₃	-OH
Example 394	-CH ₃	<p>A chemical structure of a 2-hydroxy-2-methylpropyl group, consisting of a central carbon atom bonded to two methyl groups, a hydroxyl group, and a propyl chain.</p>

Figure 11G

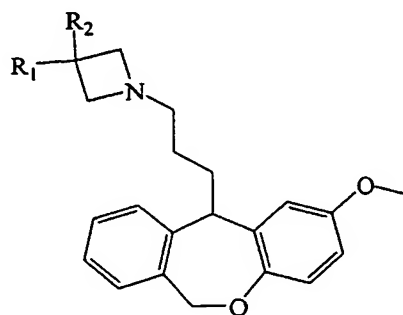
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	R^{50}	R^{51}
Example 395		-H
Example 396		-H
Example 397		-CH ₃
Example 398		-CH ₃
Example 399		-CH ₃
Example 400		-CH ₃
Example 401		

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	\underline{R}^1	\underline{R}^2
Example 402	-OH	
Example 403	-H	
Example 404	-H	
Example 405	-OH	
Example 406		

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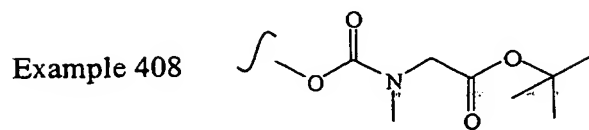
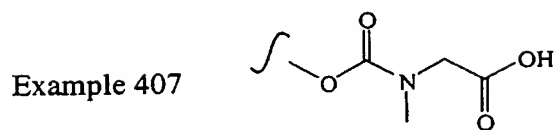
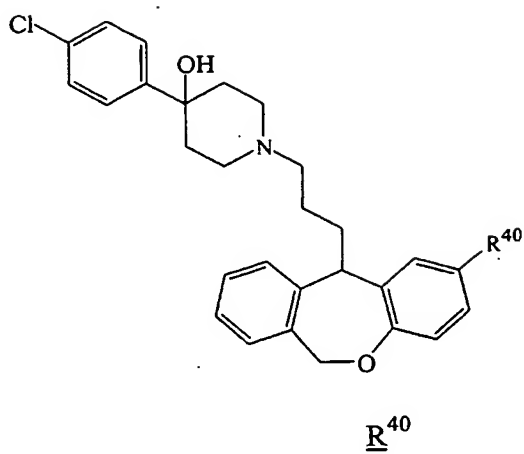
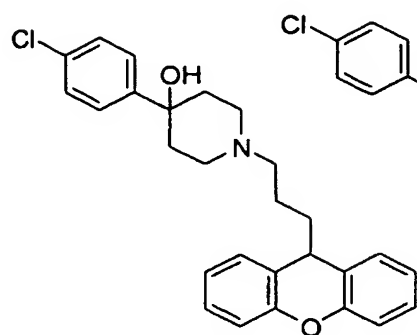
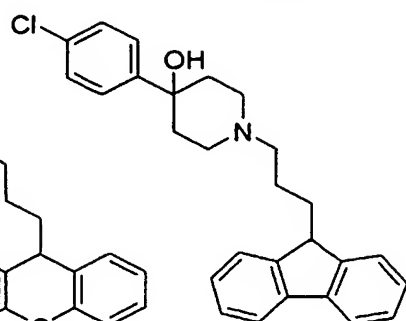


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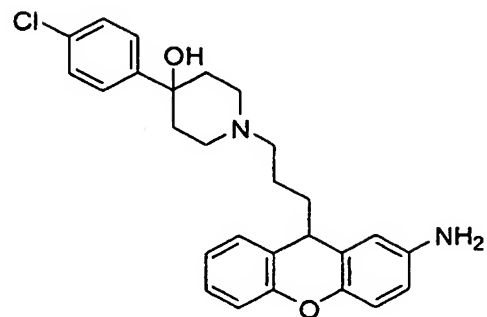
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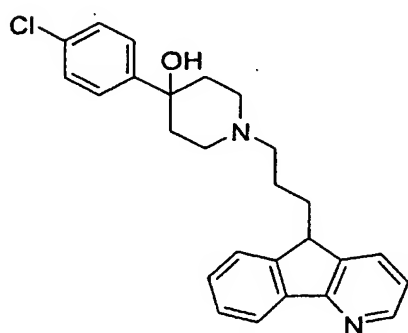
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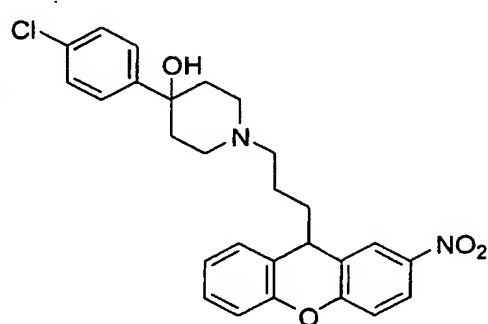
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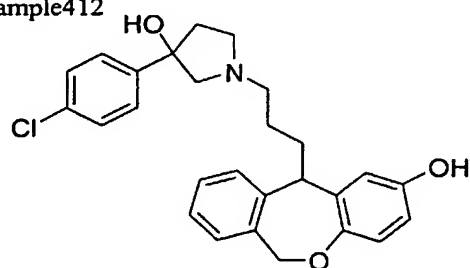
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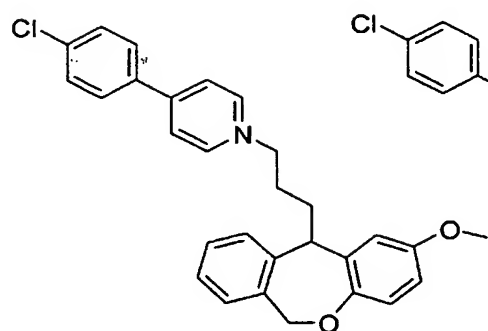
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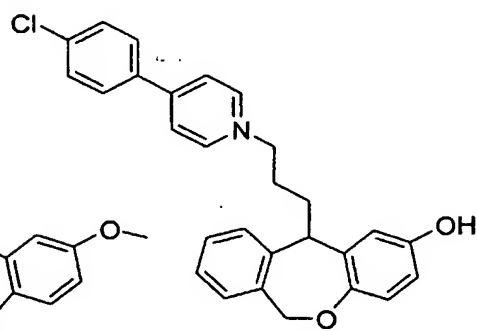
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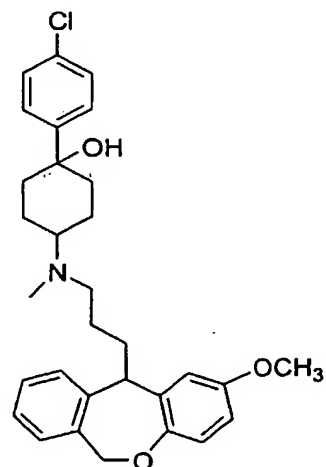
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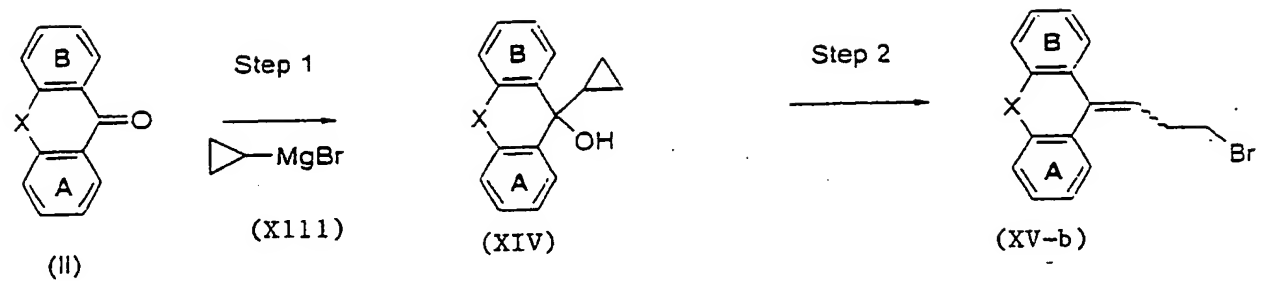


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Figure 13

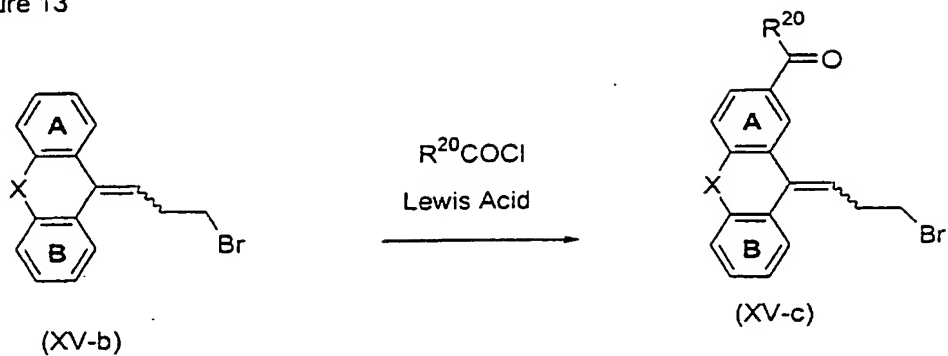


Figure 14

